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Two caught, one sought in school break-in

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

GRETHEL — John M. Stumbo Elementary Principal Deresa Ray said yesterday the school is going to do the best it can to open for classes today, but she couldn't be sure.

Classes were canceled Tuesday

after cooks arrived at the school and found it in shambles, apparently the target of a break-in and what Ray has described as "downright mean destruction."

State police say the burglary was the work of three males — two juveniles ages 15 and 16, and a Galveston man. The juveniles were taken into custody and

charged with individual counts of third-degree burglary following a prompt investigation Tuesday and lodged in the Breathitt County Juvenile Detention Center.

The third suspect, whom police have identified as Jimmy Joe Hall, of Galveston, is still being sought on an active warrant.

Ray said the burglary probably

occurred between midnight and 5 a.m. Tuesday morning. Vandals broke into the school through a back window and tore through the facility like a cyclone, stealing money from vending machines, destroying property and leaving with a total of 18 computers, cost-

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"I don't know how to say how violated we feel. It's awful ... It was just downright mean destruction, just pure destruction. There was no rhyme or reason to some of the stuff."

— Deresa Ray
Stumbo principal

Woman dies in Pike fire

Times Staff Report

HURRICANE CREEK — A 37-year-old woman died in a house fire early Tuesday morning along Wolfpen Branch at Hurricane Creek, according to Kentucky State Police.

According to reports from police, state troopers arrived at the scene shortly after members of the Hurricane Creek Fire Department searched the burned home and found the body of Vivian Maynard Branham, 37. Police said they were notified of the death following a 911 call Tuesday morning and that Branham was alone at the time of the fire.

Branham was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts.

State police are still investigating the incident.



photo by Sheldon Compton

As the director of the county's newest division of government, Public Protection and Homeland Security, Lon May says the the move, though "bold", should help to better serve the public by bringing a number of emergency and county departments under one roof.

New county agency settling in to new home

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — With some concentration focused lately on polishing county management, the latest and perhaps most significant change is nearly in place.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court voted to implement a new division of county government, the Division of Public Protection and Homeland Security, this past October, but the work such a reorganization entailed has been a couple months in the making.

"It's sort of a bold move," said the division's director, Lon May. "But it should help things run more smoothly, to get everything under one umbrella. It should give things more structure and

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photo by Sheldon Compton

This kitchen, which will serve the operation center's temporary shelter, will be provided a full pantry and supplies through the Red Cross. The emergency shelter will also offer lockers, showers and beds to victims of disaster.

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Homeowner walks in on burglary

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

DWALE — A Dwale resident was arrested after begin connected to a burglary Nov. 25, according to charges filed in Floyd District Court Monday.

State police arrested Travis Douglas Banks, 23, following a criminal complaint issued by Kentucky State Police Trooper Justin Cornett.

In his complaint, taken out Nov. 26, Cornett said that a day earlier Banks had burglarized the Dwale residence of Daniel Goble.

According to the arrest citation, charging Banks with first-degree burglary, Banks allegedly broke into Goble's home wearing a ski mask and camouflage jacket. Reports say that Goble

discovered the 23-year-old in his son's bedroom, having spread several guns out on the floor, apparently attempting to steal the firearms.

When Goble walked in to find Banks, he bolted from the room, leaving through a glass door of the bedroom, according to reports.

Goble later reported to police that he had located the camouflage jacket in the bedroom and found Banks' driver's license inside, leading them to the arrest.

Banks, who was found guilty July 18 on an amended charge of receiving stolen property in Floyd Circuit Court, pleaded not guilty to the new charge at his arraignment. He is being held on a \$25,000 cash bond and will next appear for a preliminary hearing Dec. 8.

Martin police charge man with attempted car theft

Times Staff Report

MARTIN — A Martin man was arrested Sunday and charged with attempting to steal a car, according to reports from the Martin Police Department.

Dennis M. Fields, 43, was arrested by Martin Police Officer Will Holbrook and charged with attempted theft of a motor vehicle and third-degree criminal mischief.

Police said they received a call Sunday at approximately 5 p.m. that a man

was trying to steal a woman's vehicle at Grigsby Heights.

After arriving at the scene, Holbrook spoke with the victims of the alleged crime who told him they had seen Fields in their vehicle and had confronted him, asking him what he was doing in their car.

The alleged victims claim Fields told them he was "trying to get it started", according to police reports, and had to be told a

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Funeral services held for Pike soldier killed in Iraq

by DEBORAH HASTINGS
AP NATIONAL WRITER

PIKEVILLE — He traveled in his green dress uniform, in a gleaming oak box. His buttons were polished, his handsome face meticulously preserved by the Army mortician so his family could have an open-casket funeral.

Sgt. Gary Brent Coleman, age 24, was supposed to arrive Thanksgiving weekend for a two-week vacation from war.

He came home early.

He was born and raised in this Appalachian county, like his father before him. On Sunday, he was buried here, in the Eastern Kentucky hills that he died for.

On Nov. 21, near Balad, Iraq,

Coleman and two soldiers were chasing a vehicle they considered suspicious when their Humvee flipped into a canal. Coleman was trapped inside and drowned. The others survived.

The military awarded Coleman the Purple Heart, for wounds received in action, and the Bronze Star, for meritorious service; two medals in fine boxes

that will go to his 20-year-old widow, who found a husband and lost a husband in less than a year.

Kirsten Sinley and Brent Coleman married in March, three weeks before he left for Iraq as a tank driver with the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, near Colorado Springs, Colo.

Coleman didn't tell his family

he was getting married. He just did it. He joined the military the same way.

In Pikeville, hundreds welcomed him home, solemnly filing into the high school auditorium where his casket sat on a high stage, nestled by white flowers, next to his maroon football jersey.

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Odds & Ends

■ CANBERRA, Australia

— Plain old water may no longer be good enough for pampered dogs, now that they have the choice of the bottled stuff in flavors like chicken and corn, liver and bacon, or beef.

Australian Andrew Larkey launched the purified Dog Plus K-9 water Tuesday, which sells for a little more \$2 a bottle.

"It's like a sports drink for dogs," Larkey said. "Dogs get bored with plain water — they deserve variety just as much as people."

Larkey plans a similar line of drinks for cats, in roast chicken and pork flavors early next year.

People can safely drink it as well, he said, but it probably won't be a hit with humans.

"I've actually developed a bit of a taste for it myself, but I think most people's first reaction is to be a little suspicious," he said.

■ NEW YORK — Auto thieves be warned: New York

police won't give up the chase.

On Monday, police said they arrested Scott Kenny, 46, in connection with the May 1983 theft of an automobile.

Twenty years ago, the 1968 Mercury Cougar was reported stolen from a home. Fast forward two decades to Nov. 19, 2003, when a Newsday ad appeared advertising the car.

A retired New York City police sergeant saw the ad and went to check the auto out, taking pictures to send to a retired detective who's a Mercury Cougar enthusiast.

The retired detective saw the car's vehicle identification number in one of the photos and matched it to the registration of a car he once lost to auto thieves 20 years ago: a 1968 Mercury Cougar.

City police do not close auto theft cases until the cars are recovered, so Kenny, who said he got the car from a family member, was arrested when police were notified.

"The statute of limitations is up on grand larceny," said Officer Jennara Everleth, a police spokeswoman. She said all Kenny can be charged with is criminal possession of stolen property.

Everleth said the car is sitting at a pound, waiting for its

original owner, and is still in good condition, though it might need a paint job.

■ COVINGTON, Ga. —

These little cops can't seem to keep their heads on straight, but don't call them bumbling.

The Covington Police Department is selling bobbleheads of its officers to raise money for the Police Who Care Fund to help needy families.

In a limited run, 1,000 dolls were manufactured by a bobblehead company.

The bobbleheads are being sold for \$10 at the police headquarters, the Covington/Newton County D.A.R.E. office and a Wal-Mart in Covington, east of Atlanta.

The bobbleheads are supposed to depict all officers although one officer, D.J. Seals, did pose for the manufacturer, said D.A.R.E. officer Lt. Ken Malcom.

"He's kind of excited about it, while at the same time he's embarrassed because of all the grief he's gotten from the other officers," Malcom said.

In past years, the department has sold toy patrol cars and police trading cards to raise money. Malcom said he hopes the bobblehead dolls go over just as well.

If sales go well, bobbleheads of a S.W.A.T. officer and a canine officer could be produced in coming years, Malcom said.

■ WEST BURLINGTON, Iowa —

A pair of National Guard soldiers were married among the plastic smiling snowmen, lighted reindeer and holiday poinsettias of the Wal-Mart store where they worked, met and fell in love.

Brett Hamilton and Erin Sapp were married last week

after the bride-to-be received orders signaling a likely deployment to the Middle East.

"This wasn't what we would have wanted for them," said Sapp's mother, Sheila. "But I told them we'd support them any way we can."

Hamilton, who planned to ask Sapp to marry him this summer, moved up his plans after she received orders to report for training Dec. 1. Sapp said deployment to the Middle East is likely after training is completed.

Hamilton, who works in the Wal-Mart car care department, and Sapp, a floral department employee, are members of the National Guard's 224th Engineering Battalion.

They hastily arranged the ceremony with Dan Davis, the store manager.

Dozens of Wal-Mart employees wearing blue vests emblazoned with "How Can I Help You?" wept, cheered and smiled the two were married. The bride and groom wore their dress Army uniforms.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 3, the 337th day of 2003. There are 28 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 3, 1967, surgeons in Cape Town, South Africa, led by Dr. Christiaan Barnard performed the first human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky, who lived 18 days with the new heart.

On this date:

■ In 1818, Illinois was admitted as the 21st state.

■ In 1828, Andrew Jackson was elected president of the United States.

■ In 1925, "Concerto in F," by George Gershwin, had its world premiere at New York's Carnegie Hall, with Gershwin himself at the piano.

■ In 1947, the Tennessee Williams play "A Streetcar Named Desire" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1953, the musical "Kismet" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1960, the musical "Camelot" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1979, 11 people were killed in a crush of fans at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum, where the British rock group The Who was performing.

■ In 1984, more than 4,000 people died after a cloud of gas escaped from a pesticide plant operated by a Union Carbide subsidiary in Bhopal, India.

■ In 1991, radicals in Lebanon released American hostage Alann Steen, who'd been held captive nearly five years.

■ In 1992, the Greek tanker Aegean Sea spilled 21.5 million gallons of crude oil when it ran aground at La Coruna, Spain.

Ten years ago:

Britain's Princess Diana, saying she was fed up with the media's intrusions into her life, announced she would be limiting her public appearances.

Five years ago:

Republicans jettisoned campaign fund-raising from their impeachment inquiry, clearing the way for a historic House

Judiciary Committee vote over President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky and his effort to cover it up.

One year ago:

Thousands of personnel files released under a court order showed that the Archdiocese of Boston went to great lengths to hide priests accused of abuse, including clergy who allegedly snorted cocaine and had sex with girls aspiring to be nuns. U.N. weapons inspectors made their first unannounced visit to one of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's presidential palaces.

Today's Birthdays:

Country singer Ferlin Husky is 78. Singer Andy Williams is 76. Movie director Jean-Luc Godard is 73. Singer Jaye P. Morgan is 72. Actress Mary Alice is 62. Rock singer Ozzy Osbourne is 55. Actress Heather Menzies is 54. Country musician Paul Gregg (Restless Heart) is 49. Actress Daryl Hannah is 43. Actress Julianne Moore is 43. Actor Brendan Fraser is 35. Singer Montell Jordan is 35. Actor-Royale Watkins is 34.

Actor Bruno Campos is 30. Actress Holly Marie Combs is 30. Actress Lauren Roman is 28. Actress Anna Chlumsky is 23. Actor Brian Bonsall is 22. Actor Michael Angarano is 16.

Thought for Today:

"There is many a good man to be found under a shabby hat." — Chinese proverb.

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Commissioner, dog featured in magazine

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — Who would have thought a one-man dog rescue would turn into a team effort, let alone an event so inspiring it caught not only the

eye of the local media, but a New York magazine, as well?

One thing's for sure, the attention the event garnered wasn't something Don "Booty" Hall was worried about. The only thing he wanted was to save his dog.

Hall published his account of the rescue in Guideposts, a non-profit, New York-based magazine dealing in true stories centered around hope and inspiration. The magazine ran the story

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Agency

help us better serve the public."

May, who is still settling into his new office in what used to be the county's juvenile detention center in the Floyd County Courthouse Annex in Prestonsburg, will head the new division that will oversee the county's 911 center, both the county and city disaster emergency services under one roof, as well as the Red Cross's Big Sandy chapter, covering five counties, not to mention departments for licenses and permits, solid waste, code enforcement and the county's Alcoholic Beverage Control agency.

The reorganization stems from plans to improve efficiency and follow the lead of Homeland Security's national attention to terrorism, even if international terrorism is something May says he realizes no one realistically concerns themselves with in Floyd County.

"Do we ever really worry about international terrorism? No," May says. "But do we need

to be concerned about domestic terrorism? Yes. We've got organizations within this region that bring those concerns."

May says there are situations that could arise throughout the county best described as domestic terrorism which would find the Emergency Operations Center, or EOC, very much needed.

"More importantly," May continues, "as we know, flooding is one of our number one risks here. One of the things we can do here is track the storms."

Mays says the division's high-tech storm tracking capabilities enable him to get up-to-the-minute, real-time information in time to make effective decisions in the event of flooding.

"I can see what's going on and have time to send resources to those areas," May said.

Another aspect to the division's new headquarters will be a 20-foot-by-30-foot emergency shelter that will consist

of approximately 15 sets of bunk beds, showers and personal lockers.

May says the shelter can temporarily house county residents who have been put out of a home due to flooding or other disasters, and will also offer washers and dryers, showers and a fully functioning kitchen and food pantry, provided by the Red Cross, conveniently located just down the hall.

But working as both the heart and brain of the new headquarters will be the emergency operations center, just off from May's office. There is where county officials and staff will address a potential disaster, and, with a conference and meeting room partition adjacent to the operations center, expansion in the event of a large-scale risk is not a problem, May says.

It will be this conference room that will house regular training and exercise sessions to fire departments, police and other emergency-related agencies, as well as doubling as a meeting room to discuss better approaches to grant writing.

"We're going to have a representative with [Congressman] Hal Rogers' office come down and help us learn more about grant writing in order to receive funding through Homeland Security," said May, who speculated in October that the move to reorganize could result in an influx of federal funding.

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Arrest

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number of times to get out before doing so and then disappearing into a nearby apartment until police arrived.

Police say that while Fields was in the vehicle he poured transmission fluid on the seats and on the steering wheel. Investigators also took reports

from witnesses who said they saw him trying to remove the steering wheel cap and turn the ignition switch.

Fields was taken to the Floyd County Detention Center after his arrest where he is currently awaiting court proceedings.

Funeral

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sey, No. 25, and his battered game helmet.

He was already a hero in this town, where high school football is a way of life and those who play well are never forgotten. Coleman was short for a running back — 5 feet 6 inches and 190 pounds — but he ran like a rabbit; the all-time leading rusher and scorer in Pikeville history.

They called him "Rocket" for his ability to find a hole and

plow through it, his beefy legs pumping like pistons. They also called him "Stumpy" — "I guess because I'm short and fat," he said, grinning from ear to ear, when WYMT-TV named him player of the week in 1996, the beginning of his senior year.

In Iraq, his platoon called him "Hollywood" because his

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Break-in

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ing roughly \$16,000, as well as school supplies and electrical supplies.

"I don't know how to say how violated we feel. It's awful," Ray said Tuesday while assisting police in their investigation. "They've actually damaged locks. They beat and broke into several places, including my office. They damaged snack machines, just pretty much destroying them by beating them and got the money out of them. It was just downright mean destruction, just pure destruction. There was no rhyme or reason to some of the stuff."

However, Ray says that now concentration is being placed on cleaning the school and preparing to get classrooms back up and going.

Part of the reason Ray can relax a little and concentrate on what she says will be extensive cleanup is because a good number of the computers, the biggest dent that came from the break-in, have been recovered by police.

Following what Floyd County Schools Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning said were "several" tips from people in the community, police had recovered most of the computers that were stolen from the school by Tuesday afternoon.

"Fortunately we had a great deal of help from people in the community who called and gave some very pertinent information that helped the state police make some contacts and inquiries," Fanning said after returning from the school Tuesday afternoon.

Tuesday's break-in was fore-

shadowed, according to Ray, by a break-in three weeks ago. The school was burglarized then and saw a small number of VCRs taken. During that break-in, Ray said the thieves used the same back window as the one used Tuesday.

"We had boarded up that area, but they got in anyway," she said Tuesday.

Fanning said the event revealed how a concerned community can combine with an aggressive investigation to bring about positive results.

"It's a very, very tragic incident that occurred," he said. "The community, through its school, has been violated. That's about the most tactful term I could use. But the people in the community responded once they got word to the state police and our staff and they are all to be commended."

Fanning said that despite the extent of the damage caused during the break-in, the facility itself suffered little harm and that school officials are cooperating with police in hopes that the on-scene investigative work may be concluded in time for classes to begin today.

State police said that several school burglaries have been reported in the past several months throughout the area and are asking anyone with information about these burglaries, or with knowledge of Jimmy Joe Hall's whereabouts or the location of the remaining property not yet recovered, to contact KSP at (800) 222-5555 or (606) 433-7711.

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Guest View

Shock and awe

It's easy to take for granted the elaborate internal ballet that makes our daily lives possible. The heart contracts, pumping blood on its way to the lungs. Another contraction and it speeds along the intricate plumbing of the circulatory system with a load of vital nutrients and oxygen for internal organs, muscle and skin. All that, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, without a conscious thought. Unless something goes wrong.

Each year, about 250,000 Americans die from sudden cardiac arrest. Without warning, their usually reliable hearts go into an abnormal rhythm called ventricular fibrillation. The rapid, spasmodic contractions can't push blood. Victims collapse. Without help, they can die in minutes.

If the cardiac arrest were to happen in a hospital, doctors would shock a patient's heart back into a normal rhythm with a defibrillator. If paramedics arrived in time, they could do the same thing with a portable version. Otherwise, the best available treatment for many years was CPR. But too often, there was no one around with the proper training.

A few years ago, a new medical device, the automated external defibrillator, came on the market. It works just like the paramedics' machine, but it can be used by people with very little training. Once the machine is turned on, it prompts rescuers to attach a pair of wires to the victim. If it detects fibrillation, the machine charges itself to deliver a shock and warns rescuers to stand clear.

The results of a two-year study on the use of defibrillators in public places was presented last month at a meeting of the American Heart Association. It concluded that the machines can more than double the odds of surviving cardiac arrest. That could translate into tens of thousands of lives saved.

The Heart Association and local health agencies have been enthusiastic boosters of defibrillators. The American Red Cross now includes training on use of the automated devices in most CPR classes. Meanwhile, the number of machines in malls, airports and government buildings has grown rapidly.

Those are all positive trends. It would be even better if more of the machines were made available and more people signed up for training on how to use them. Each new machine, each newly trained person, increases the odds that someone who experiences sudden cardiac arrest will survive.

That's never something to be taken for granted.

—The St. Louis Post-Dispatch



Sticks & Stones

'Job action' would be the worst action

The teachers of Floyd County have threatened a "job action", which could, I suppose, mean a "strike". If it doesn't, then disregard everything I'm about to say, because I'm about to say it loudly.

Everyone agrees that teachers should be paid more for what they do. I am not excluded from that band of supporters. As a former educator, I realize how much work is involved in teaching.

However, because this possible "strike" has little to do with money and more to do with time, let's look at that factor and try to forget about our unanimous mantra that teachers should cash bigger checks every two weeks.

It may be difficult to forget about the old standby that teachers get the short end of it when it comes to money, but it's time they're complaining about,

more specifically, the impact of early Wednesday, or the lack thereof, I suppose.

Recently, the school board made the decision not to reinstate the concept of leaving early on Wednesdays. Teachers are arguing that this takes away time for them to plan for classes and have even said the county is getting free work from them as a result.

Hogwash.

Time should never be discussed in the first place. Anybody who gets three months vacation in the summer with pay should not be in there complaining about working a few extra hours a week.

Teachers have long maintained a sizable chip along their shoulder. I imagine this chip inscribed with the words: I Should Be Making More Money. Over time, this has slowly become a bargaining chip. Teachers fall back on this and then expect leniency on other issues.

The fact of the matter is that with the problems our students are currently

struggling to overcome to basically make the grade on all fronts, the last thing they need is for their teachers to walk out on them, regardless of the issue.

The sad thing is that most of these teachers have to realize this. Despite having been underpaid for so long, I can, today, name a dozen teachers off the top of my head who have been working in this system for the past quarter

century or more. That means that year in and year out they have arrived for class and done the best they could to educate our children, no matter the injustice they might have felt was bearing down on them. They've worn the chip but not let it distract them from the

responsibility they agreed to inherit when they took the job.

To set aside decades and decades worth of salary concerns and begin complaining now about working a few extra hours a week makes no sense.

With the educational climate so stormy following added pressure from the state, it's a tactic no one can comfortably afford, no matter their income.



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Guest Column

Congress should use welfare to target the true enemy: poverty

by VIOLA P. MILLER
SECRETARY, CABINET FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

After nearly two years of debate and delay, Congress finally appears ready to move to the next phase of welfare reform. The House has passed an update of the 1996 law that changed welfare from an entitlement to a program of time-limited support requiring participants to enter the work force. The

Senate is expected to act early next year. The delay may turn out to be all to the good, however, provided law-

makers realize, before it's too late, that they've been fighting yesterday's battle about the value of work over welfare. That battle has already been won.

Since President Bush sent his welfare reauthorization proposal to Congress in 2001, the principal debate has been over its requirements that welfare clients work more hours and that states move higher percentages of welfare clients into jobs.

If we continue to frame the next stage of welfare reform in these terms, we risk committing the sort of error military planners often make. We'll be preparing for the last war instead of the next one.

In the war waged to end what many called a culture of dependency, the battle cry was, in effect: "Get a job, any job." I propose we wage a

new war against what welfare reform has unmasked as the true enemy—poverty. And I propose a new battle cry: "Get a job, get a better job, get a career."

Until 1996, low-income families with children had for decades received government support as an entitlement. The new message that welfare is temporary and that work should be a condition of it was timely, stark and necessary.

And families in Kentucky and around the nation have gotten the message. The number of families receiving welfare has dwindled—in Kentucky, by more than half. Reliance on welfare as a generation-to-generation way of life has all but disappeared.

By and large, adults use the Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program (K-TAP) in precisely the manner

intended—as a short-term source of the cash, child care assistance, training and other forms of support they need to bridge rough spots in their lives. Most of those who do not meet K-TAP's work expectations are struggling with such formidable barriers (among them substance abuse, domestic violence and mental illness) that employment is beyond their reach.

Given this makeup of the welfare population, there's little point in insisting, ever more stridently, that work is important, or that children fare better in working families. Everyone, welfare families and their advocates included, already recognizes that. Let's take that issue off the table.

The issue that belongs on the table, front and center, is

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Health Extra

Number of Kentucky youth purchasing tobacco continues to decline

FRANKFORT — The compliance rate for unauthorized sales of tobacco to minors continues to improve, showing a 13.1 percentage point drop since 1999. This information comes from an annual buying survey conducted by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, which works in cooperation with the Department of Agriculture, and the Division of Substance Abuse within the Cabinet for Health Services to ensure regulatory compliance.

The 2003 survey conducted in late summer revealed a 6.6 percentage rate for illegal sales of Kentucky youth, down from 9.7 percent in 2002. In 2001 the rate was 12.3 percent; 13.4 percent in 2000; and 19.7 in 1999.

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Ellen Heslen, Acting Secretary of the Cabinet for Health Services. "The collaborative effort by the Department for Public Health, the Division of Substance Abuse, the Departments of Alcoholic Beverage Control and Agriculture, local tobacco control programs in health departments, Kentucky ACTION, regional prevention centers, local organizations and many other coalitions and agencies help to make this reduction possible."

Federal law authorizes the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant and requires states to enact and enforce laws designed to reduce the availability of tobacco products to persons under the age

of 18. The states are required to conduct random, unannounced inspections of tobacco vendors to demonstrate compliance with the law. The state must conduct the annual buying survey using a scientific random sample study protocol approved by the federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention and must demonstrate that its non-compliance rate does not exceed the target of 20 percent for illegal tobacco sales to minors.

Failure to meet the 20 per-

cent target could result in forfeiture of about \$8 million of the more than \$20 million block grant. The SAPT Block Grant, administered by the Cabinet for Health Services, Division of Substance Abuse, is the single

largest funding stream in Kentucky supporting prevention and treatment.

Steve Horner, Commissioner of the Department of Alcoholic

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Two Floyd County residents win statewide workforce awards

by **MICHAEL CORNETT**
EKCEP Inc.

Two Floyd County residents who were participants in the Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program's (EKCEP) Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs have earned statewide recognition for their outstanding achievements.

Johnny Collins of Weeksbury and Kathy Terry of Langley were presented WIA Alumni Excellence awards by the Kentucky Cabinet for Workforce Development's Department for Training and ReEmployment at the 2003 Workforce Investment Act Awards Luncheon last week in Lexington. The awards, given only to seven WIA alumni statewide this year, recognize the participants' exemplary academic and employment achievements made possible by their involvement in WIA programs.

Johnny and Kathy were nominated for the awards by EKCEP, a Hazard-based agency that administers the JobSight network and a wide array of workforce programs and initiatives for employers, adults, dislocated workers, and young people in 23 Eastern Kentucky counties.

After participating in the WIA On-the-Job Training (OJT) program through the Pike County JobSight — located on the Pikeville campus of Big Sandy Community and

Technical College — Johnny broke free from a life of low-paying, dead-end jobs to become a head electrician and repairman at a Floyd County coal company. Kathy received federal retraining assistance through the WIA Title I Adult program that helped her transform herself from a high-school dropout into a registered nurse.

EKCEP nominee Roberta Wolford, a college instructor from Pikeville, also received a WIA Alumni Excellence award. Dinah Campbell, an EKCEP staff member, received the WIA Excellence in Customer Service award, one of only two presented statewide this year.

"EKCEP is pleased to be very well represented among the statewide WIA Award winners," said Mable Duke, executive director of EKCEP. "We are

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happy that the state recognizes the quality of EKCEP's work and the achievements of our participants and staff. We are espe-

cially pleased to be recognized for Excellence in Customer Service, because we place a strong emphasis on customer service.

"The three participants who were honored this year are representative of the many eastern Kentuckians who succeed through a combination of hard work and the assistance of EKCEP's WIA programs."

Johnny credits his participation in the Pike County JobSight's OJT program with finally allowing him to start a career that can support his fami-

ly. His meager income prior to his enrollment in the OJT program made doing that nearly impossible.

"I had quit one job and was working another, and I would work there every day then go home and work on diesel trucks and loaders for a guy who would pay me enough to make it through the week," said Johnny, a 1993 graduate of Wheelwright High School in Floyd County. "By the time you pay your house payment, electric bill and other things, all you've got left is enough to make it back to work and back home in the evening."

The birth of his first son inspired Johnny to seek a better life for his family. He decided to try to become an underground miner. He obtained his coal miner's "green card" — which allows a miner to work underground under close supervision — in June 2001, but was unable to land a job. Because he had no experience, Johnny left each mining company he visited over the next several months empty-handed — except one.

Dennis Yonts, owner and operator of Starlight Coal Company in Allen, was not able to offer to hire Johnny, but he recommended that Johnny check out the WIA OJT program offered through the Pike County JobSight. Johnny follow Yonts' recommendation and spoke with Lucy Combs, OJT coordinator at the Pike County JobSight. Combs picked up the telephone, and within minutes came back with an OJT offer for Johnny. That offer led him right back to Starlight Coal.

Johnny began working for Starlight Coal under the OJT program on Jan. 25, 2002. The company had worked with the program in the past to give inex-

perienced young workers like Johnny a chance to start working in a coal mine. OJT is often their only chance to get actual underground experience. As an OJT participant, Johnny was able to earn money while he worked toward completing the 880 hours required for him to become a certified underground miner.

Thanks to the OJT program, Johnny completed the required training and became a certified underground miner. He was hired as a full-time employee of Starlight Coal on May 23, 2002.

After Johnny became a full-time employee, Yonts allowed him to try his hand at several different specialties involved in underground mining operations. Johnny pursued some of those specialties and eventually became certified as a mining electrician and welder. Today, Johnny serves as Starlight Coal's head electrician and repairman. In those positions, Johnny earns more than five times the salary he was earning before he began the OJT pro-

gram. "In less than two years, I went from just being here to doing both of those jobs," Johnny said. "I told them that if they gave me a chance, I'd show them what I could do. If it wasn't for OJT, I wouldn't have had that chance."

Kathy is grateful for the critical assistance she got from the WIA Title I Adult program, which supported her through her work in the grueling nursing curriculum at Hazard Community College to her graduation last May. She began working at Pikeville Methodist Hospital just a few weeks later as a graduate nurse, and became a registered nurse after passing her state nursing board exam last August.

Kathy credits the support she received from the WIA with single-handedly allowing her to successfully complete her long journey to become a registered nurse despite financial hardships and the strain of balancing stud-

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Statistics from the annual buying survey allow the Division of Substance Abuse to better target prevention efforts and resources.

For more information about this program or substance abuse, contact Dianne Shuntich or Johnnie Woods in the Cabinet for Health Services' Division of Substance Abuse at 502/564-2880 or visit <http://mhmr.chs.ky.gov/la>.

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I sure miss you; life will never be the same with you not here. Each passing day has brought much pain, but with God's grace, my strength remains. I sure miss you, but Heaven's sweeter with you there.

Little things that seem so small are like gold in a memory vault. I cherish every one I have of you. Now I can see and recognize the part you played to shade my life, often see you in the things I do. God's designing master plan, He saw the hurting hearts of man as we would say goodbye to those so dear. So, with our family and friends, we'll be together once again, view Heaven's splendor, hand in hand.

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The family of Dallas Dean Hunter wishes to sincerely thank all those who shared in the sorrow we felt, with the loss of our loved one. We greatly appreciated the many expressions of sympathy, which included cards, flowers, food, prayers, and kind words. A special thanks to Clergyman Dennis Kidd for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. We will always remember the kindness each of you has shown our family.

THE FAMILY OF DALLAS DEAN HUNTER

Card of Thanks

The family of Robert L. Martin would like to thank all those who shared in their sorrow. We greatly appreciate each of you for the flowers, food, kind words, and especially your prayers. A special thank-you to the Hall Funeral Home for their outstanding services. Also the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for traffic control, the Hueysville Church of Christ, and members of the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, for helping with the funeral service.

THE FAMILY OF ROBERT L. MARTIN

Card of Thanks

The family of the late Alice Allen Slone would like to thank all who attempted to help the family during this hard period. Words cannot express our feelings during the past days; but know that whether it was simple words, flowers, food, or a pat on the back, we greatly appreciate all your acts of kindness. A special thanks to Clergymen Red Morris, Clinton Jones, and Jimmy Hall for their comforting words, the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church for opening their doors and hearts to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF ALICE ALLEN SLONE

Card of Thanks

The family of Arnold Akers thanks all those who came to our side during our loss. It is a very difficult time, and many may have slipped by without being thanked. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has shown our family, and our loved one, respect and courtesy. We would like to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Zion Regular Baptist Church for all the love and support you gave to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF ARNOLD AKERS

Card of Thanks

The family of Marguerite Stapleton Sparks would like to express our gratitude to all those who showed support during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate everyone and their kind words and actions. Thank-you to those who visited, called, sent food, or prayers; your caring will never be forgotten. A special thanks to Tracy Patton for his comforting words, Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church for all the love and compassion that was shown to our family, the Sheriff's Department, for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care.

THE FAMILY OF MARGUERITE STAPLETON SPARKS

Card of Thanks

The family of Edward James Hall wishes to express their gratitude, and extend to all those who shared in the sorrow we felt with the loss of Ed, our heartfelt appreciation. We would like to acknowledge and thank all our relatives, friends, and neighbors, who expressed their sympathy through prayers, flowers, food, and many kind words. A special thanks to Rev. Louis Ferrari, the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, Hazard ARH nurses and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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Flora Ola Conley

Flora Ola Conley, 90, of Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, Indiana, formerly of Roann, Indiana and Riceville, died Friday, November 28, 2003, at the Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester, Indiana.

Born in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Greeley Hackworth and Lizzie (Caudill) Hackworth. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the New Bethel Freewill Baptist Church, at Riceville.

She was twice married; first to Elbert Conley, and later to Verner Conley. Both preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Wayne (Earlene) Nordmann of Roann, Indiana, and Bobby J. Conley of North Manchester, Indiana; two brothers, Earl Hackworth and Earnest Hackworth, both of Ada, Ohio; three sisters, Elsie Leake of East Point, Mrs. Earl (Edna) Floor of Akron, Indiana, Alta Mae Hackworth of Wooster, Ohio; three grandchildren, David and (Louise) Nordmann of North Manchester, Indiana, Dan and (Ginger) Nordmann of Indianapolis, Indiana, Mark and (Lisa) Nordmann of Burkett, Indiana; and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by one son, four brothers, and one sister.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, December 3, at 10:30 a.m., at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville, with Rev. Herbert Arms officiating.

Burial will be in the Conley Cemetery, at Bonanza.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Memorials to: Peabody Home, or Wabash-Miami County Home Healthcare & Hospice.

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Willie Mitchell

Willie Mitchell, 76, of Beaver, died Friday, November 28, 2003, at his residence.

Born June 26, 1927, in Beaver, he was the son of the late Crit (Dude) Mitchell Sr., and the late Daisy Hall Mitchell. He was a disabled coal miner, a U.S. Army, and Korean War veteran, and a member of the UMWA Local 5899, at Wheelwright.

He is survived by his wife, Daisy Mae Tackett Mitchell.

Other survivors include three sons, Sandy Mitchell and Terry Mitchell, both of Beaver, and Willie Michael Mitchell of Teaberry; one daughter, Sheila Akers of Dana; two brothers, Carl Mitchell of Beaver, and Paul Randall Mitchell of Pikeville; five sisters, Vivian Keathley of Beaver, Ruby Hamilton of Malabar, Florida, Madgie Walters of Hamilton, Ohio, Melda Dillow of Michigan, and Lois Slone of Columbus, Ohio; seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Crit Mitchell Jr., Miles Mitchell, and Daniel Mitchell.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 1, at 11 p.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Mitchell Cemetery (Dude Mitchell Branch) at Beaver, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church, with services nightly at 7 p.m.

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Hershel Shell

Hershel Shell, age 81, of Prestonsburg, passed away, on Friday, November 7, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. His death followed an extended illness.

Hershel was born February 18, 1922. He was the son of the late John Richard Shell and Dora Hackworth Shell.

Hershel was a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church. He was a retired heavy equipment operator, a U.S. Army, and World War II veteran, and a lifetime member of the D.A.V. Chapter 18 of Auxier.

Hershel is survived by his wife, Okie Mae Shell of Prestonsburg; two stepsons, Henry Taylor Risner of Prestonsburg; and Jimmy Kash Risner of Williamstown, New Jersey. Hershel has one half-brother, Johnny Shell Jr., of Marion, Indiana; and three step-sisters, Ruby Conley of Hager Hill, and Lizzia Elkins and Wick Johnson, both of Marion, Indiana.

In addition to his parents, his first wife, Elizabeth Mae Burchett Shell, and four brothers, Harry Shell, Henry Shell, Heber Shell, and Howard Shell, preceded Hershel in death.

Hershel's funeral was at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, November 10, 2003, at 1 p.m. He was buried at the Richmond Cemetery in Prestonsburg, with full military honors performed by the Auxier D.A.V. Chapter 18.

The pallbearers included the following: Don Buess, Johnny Dutton, Floyd Greene, Randy Harmon, Henry Taylor Risner Jr., Jason Risner, Jimmy Kash Risner, Robert Risner, and Tracey Lynn Risner.

The honorary pallbearers were Ray Branham, Robert (Bob) Burchett, Ronnie Cheney, Billy Darrell Cheney, Andrew Frasure, Russell B. Hackworth, William L. Hackworth, Paul Justice, David Kraus, and William White.

The ministries were Rev. Bobby Joe Spencer, Rev. Calvin Setser, and Sr. Deacon James Mollette.

(Paid obituary)

Julia Kilgore

Julia Kilgore, 84, of Albion, Michigan, passed away, Sunday, November 30, 2003, at Tendercare in Marshall.

She was born February 20, 1919, in Floyd County, the daughter of the late Joseph and Molly (Jones) Ousley.

In 1944, she married James Lee Kilgore; he preceded her in death in 1984. She was a homemaker, a member of Fellowship Baptist Church, and its Ladies Aid, and Maple Street Senior Citizens Group. She enjoyed traveling and flower gardening.

Survivors include one adopted daughter; two brothers, Raymond Ousley of Albion, and Richard Ousley of Prestonsburg, and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, and husband, she was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, December 3, at 11 a.m., at the J. Kevin Tidd Funeral Home, 811 Finley Drive, Albion, Michigan, with Elder Todd Masters, and Reverend Melvin Howard officiating.

Interment will follow at Rice Creek Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to Fellowship Baptist Church.

(Paid obituary)

Alex Howard

Alex Howard, 87, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, November 28, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born February 20, 1916, in Dock, he was the son of the late Green Howard and Lovelia Prater Howard. He was a former supervisor for Spurlock Food Service, a member of the Community United Methodist Church, and Zebulon Masonic Lodge No. 273, Prestonsburg.

He is survived by his wife, Elberta Tackett Howard.

Other survivors include one son, Joe Alex Howard of Commerce, Michigan; three daughters, Margaret Risner of Auxier, Patricia Lou Webb of South Charleston, Ohio, Judy Darryl Crowe of Allen; and one sister, Lura Hall of Paintsville, 12 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by two sons, David Lee Howard, and Carl Howard; one daughter, Mary Lovelia Linkous; and three sisters, Letha Little, Thelma Rene Mills and Ada Howard.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 1, at 2 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, with Rev. Steve Pescosolido officiating.

Interment was at Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

Masonic services were conducted at 7 p.m., Sunday, at the Carter Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Cecil Hunter, James B. Crowe, Steffon Wright, James Prater, David Howard, Joey Howard, J.D. Stanfield, Mark Webb, Joel Howard and Michael Crowe.

Carter Funeral Home is serving the Howard family.

(Paid obituary)

Leni Mae Tussey Hall

Leni Mae Tussey Hall, 78, of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, passed away, December 1, 2003, at Norton Community Hospital in Norton, Virginia.

She was born January 29, 1925, at Dock, Kentucky, the daughter of Fred and Julia Haywood Tussey.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Carlos L. Hall; son and daughter-in-law, Don and Sherlene Ousley Hall of Wise, Virginia; two grandsons, Scott, and his wife, Kim, and Seth Hall, of Wise, Virginia; and granddaughter, Jennifer Kilbourne, and husband, Andy, of Big Stone Gap, Virginia; four great-grandchildren, Kylee Kilbourne, Koby Kilbourne, Alex Hall and Noah Hall. Also, surviving are a sister, Angie Bell Justice of Prestonsburg, and a brother, Don Tussey of Blue River, Kentucky.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by brothers, Bill Tussey, Calvin Tussey, Curtis Tussey, and L.P. Tussey; and a sister, Darcus Fannin.

She was a homemaker, and a loving wife and mother. She leaves two special nieces, Jenny Grace Layne, and Betty Jo Layne. She was a member of the Baptist faith.

Visitation will be at Carter Funeral Home, Wednesday, December 3, from 5-9 p.m.

Funeral services will be Thursday, December 4, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Randolph Crisp and Don Crisp, officiating.

Burial will be in the Bingham Cemetery on Town Branch, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Scott Hall, Seth Hall, Andy Kilbourne, Danny Layne, Ernest Fannin, Harold Layne, Mike Tussey, William Tussey, Donald Harrison Tussey, and David Layne.

The Carter Funeral Home is serving the Hall family.

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During this one-hour televised event entitled "Is Your Estate in Order?," the following topics will be discussed: Taking care of one's needs and the needs of one's family; six estate plan-

ning considerations; and, how to build an estate-planning team.

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Awards

ies with motherhood.

That journey took shape not long after she entered the 11th grade when she dropped out of school just as her five siblings had. She married soon afterward, and became a mother of two in short order. After 14 years of marriage, Kathy and her husband divorced. She earned a GED so she could go back to school and work toward a career. She went on to earn an office systems degree from Hazard Community College. Around that time Kathy also remarried and moved from her native Hazard to Floyd County, but could find no office systems work in that area.

Kathy then enrolled at Prestonsburg Community College (PCC) to take some general college courses, but she had already started having thoughts of eventually becoming a registered nurse. It was during her brief time at PCC that a classmate suggested she check out the WIA programs offered through the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program (Big Sandy Area CAP) under contract with EKCEP.

It wasn't until after she began classes in Mayo Technical College's licensed practical nurse program in Paintsville back in early 2000 that she applied for WIA supportive services. She learned she was eligible for WIA assistance that would cover her tuition as well as college-related expenses for textbooks, gas, and daily meals.

Although Kathy was working toward a practical nursing career, she had never given up on her goal to become a registered nurse. After spending only one semester at Mayo Technical College, she applied and was accepted into the registered nursing program at Hazard Community College. Since she made good grades in her classes at Mayo, the WIA assistance she was receiving carried over into her new college endeavor.

It is a good thing that support continued, Kathy says. Her husband was disabled and could not work, and occasional substitute teaching jobs she was able to do didn't pay nearly enough to make ends meet. The little amount she brought in through those teaching stints soon disappeared when she had to fully focus on her intense registered nursing studies.

Though she was succeeding in her classwork — maintaining a 3.0 average she would eventually carry through to graduation

two years later — she says the financial strain would have been too much to bear without the WIA support. She couldn't have covered the cost of her textbooks, which sometimes were as much as \$150 for a single book. Paying for the nearly 40-mile trip from her home in Floyd County to Hazard to attend class four days per week would have been an added burden that could have helped stop her education dead in its tracks.

"The tuition would have been hard anyway, but in nursing you also have to buy uniforms, shoes and lots of other things," Kathy says. "With my husband not able to work, and having to drive that far to school, there's no way I could have come up with the money to pay for it all."

Thanks to the WIA, those worries are a thing of the past, and it has now been just over a year since she started working

at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Her success in mind, Kathy wants to challenge others who might feel they are too old to get their GEDs and get into college to go for it.

"Go find out about the WIA, and let it help you while you're helping yourself," Kathy says. "With all of the assistance that it offers, there's really no good excuse not to try to do something with yourself if you really want to work, have a better life and do more for your kids."

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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JOHN W. HALL LODGE 950 PLANS CHRISTMAS PARTY

John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, will hold its annual Christmas party at the lodge hall in Martin, on Sunday, December 7, at 4 p.m. Santa Claus will be present, and dinner will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend.

MIDDLE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROJECT

On December 4, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, and 19, at 7 p.m.-9 p.m., at the Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department, there will be free used clothing, household items and toys. Everyone is welcome, so come out and be a part of it. The members of the Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas.

'HOLIDAY MEMORIES'

The Holiday Memories event will be held on Fri. and Sat., Dec. 5 & 6, at the Oil Springs School Center for Cultural Heritage Education, beginning at 10 a.m. Event will feature homemade gifts, arts & crafts, artist demonstrations and refreshments. \$1 admission fee. Free gifts for all. Tree lighting ceremony to be held Dec. 5, at 6 p.m. For more info. or to register to participate, call Kay Stover at 297-5083 or Johnson Co. Ext. Service at 789-8108. Deadline to register is Dec. 1.

Drive. Bonnie Crisp, local crafter, will present decorative ideas for the holidays. Refreshments will be served. Call Theresa Scott, at 886-2668 for mor info.

CPR/FIRST AID CLASS

The American Red Cross Big Sandy Chapter will offer a CPR/First Aid class on Dec. 9. Registration required. Call 886-8330 for more information.

RETIRED TEACHERS

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet on Dec. 4, at 10 a.m., at May Lodge. PHS Honor Choir will perform. Door prizes will be awarded. Call 886-8978 for more info.

DRIVE THRU NATIVITY

The Christ United Methodist Church will hold a live drive thru Nativity on December 13 & 14, from 6-9 p.m., in the church parking lot, located at 105 Methodist Lane, in Allen. "Come, go back to the night when Jesus was

born..."

HRMC COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Dec. 16 - Highlands S.H.A.R.E., Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group, Martin Room, 7-9 p.m.
- Dec. 18 - Laryngectomy Support Group, Floyd Room, 5-7 p.m.
- Dec. 19 - AARP Floyd County, Meeting Place B, 6-7 p.m.

FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

Funeral

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physique and his demeanor warranted it. He was easy on the eyes and built like a fireplug. He loved to lift weights and his head seemed to sit directly on his shoulders. In a photo he mailed home, he stands on his tank, naked to the waist, in a smiling, he-man pose that shows off his muscles.

"He didn't lack for confidence," said his father, Gary Coleman, a stoic man with piercing blue eyes that held firm against tears. But behind those dry eyes was a flicker of dread and the dawning realization that he had just boarded a slow-moving train of grief.

At J.W. Call's funeral home Saturday night, where his son's body lay in its casket for visitation services, Gary Coleman sat with Sandy Newsome, the woman in his life. He thanked each crying woman who kissed his cheek, and shook the hand of every plainspoken man who leaned down and said, "Sorry, buddy."

Coleman was the first soldier from Pikeville to die in Iraq since fighting began in March. More than 100 coalition soldiers were killed in November, the bloodiest month yet. With casualties have come complaints — about everything from troop strength to the military's policy of not allowing photos to be taken during the journey home for soldiers killed in Iraq.

His father will not discuss the politics of this contentious war, or if he wishes his son had gone to Iraq.

"He served his country. He never complained. He was made for the military, physically and mentally," Gary Coleman said. "He said he had a job to do."

His son signed up two years ago, after studying military

brochures and making up his mind. That was his way.

"Nothing surprised me about Brent, because he was always doing things that surprised me," said his mother, Janie Johnson. He was 13 when his parents divorced, and he decided to live with his father when his mother moved 20 miles from Pikeville.

He was a positive thinker, a man of action and not of brooding. He didn't show fear, his Army buddies said, even under fire. Whatever he felt, he kept it to himself.

"I never did see him cry," his father said. "He might break down by himself, but he never showed it."

After his boy left for boot camp, Gary Coleman rattled around the house, lost and lonely. "I just survived," he said. "He was my roommate, my best friend and my child."

He has another child, Jason, who is one year older than Brent and lives in San Francisco, where he manages a restaurant. Though Jason left home at 15, the brothers were close.

In an old photograph displayed next to Coleman's coffin, two moon-faced little boys stand with their arms entwined, wearing only underpants and shoes. Brent is wearing his father's cowboy boots, which reach his hips. Jason is wearing his mother's high heels.

Pikeville is the kind of place

where people know each other and talk about each other. This can be comforting or irritating.

"I really want to get out of this town," Coleman told his mother. He needed direction and purpose in his life, and he didn't think either could be found in this city of 6,500.

He came back the night before Thanksgiving. The local funeral director, who knew Brent Coleman all his life, arranged for him to be carried home from the Lexington airport.

On Sunday, under a maroon canopy at the base of a hill, the U.S. Army gave Sgt. Coleman a military graveside service. A 21-gun salute shattered the warm, blinding sunshine. A chaplain read the 23rd Psalm.

Gary Coleman sat next to his daughter-in-law, a young woman he had never met until three days ago, when she arrived in Pikeville a widow. She stared straight ahead, looking at something only she could see.

A young man played Taps on a silver trumpet, and the sergeant's wife broke then, her chin bent to her chest, her small shoulders shaking and her face covered by falling blonde hair.

Gary Coleman fought to keep his face expressionless. He stared at his son's casket, but did not break. One hand rested on his leg. The other was held by Sandy Newsome.

Alice Lloyd College names Varia Scholars

Alice Lloyd College has announced that the following seventeen Kentucky students have been awarded scholarships from the Varia Scholarship Fund: Josh Cook, of Topmost; Brady Matt Curry, of Bypro;

Kathleen Curry, of Hi Hat; Robert Hall, of Prestonsburg; Shaundra Hall, of Banner; Sheena Hall, of Wheelwright; Jared Handshoe, of Mousie; John Meade, of Bevinsville; Ryan Shannon, of Drift; Lindsay Stone, of Fisty; Sarah Halbert, of McDowell; Kristina Parsons, of Betsy Layne; Sammatha Meade, of McDowell; and Terri Moore, of Garrett.

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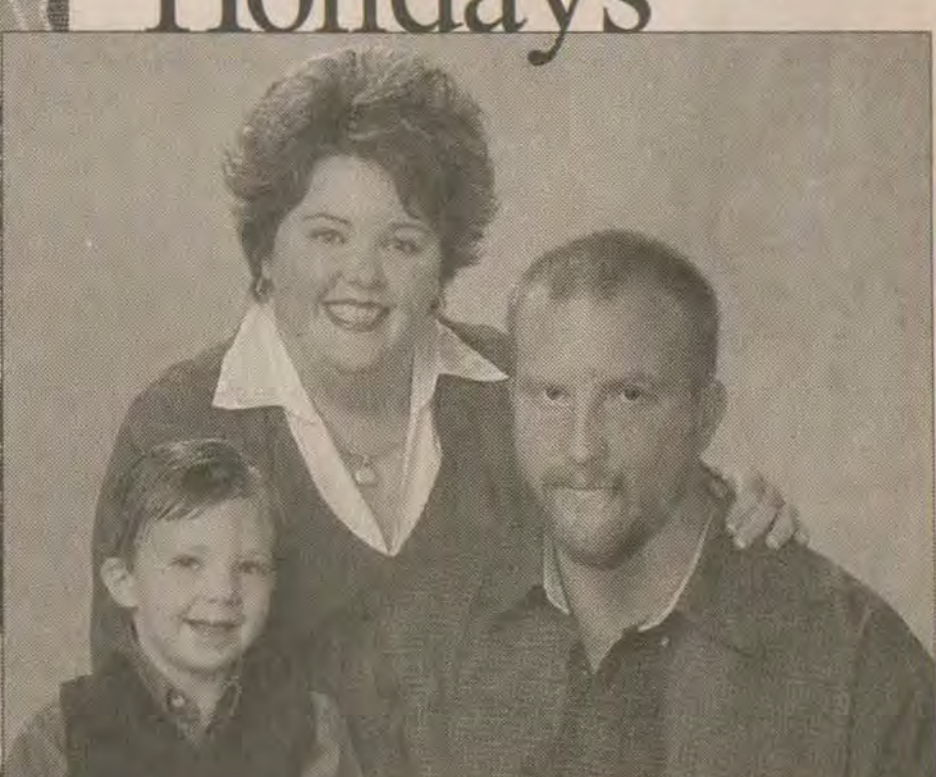
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Dog

in its December issue and pictures Hall with his 3-year-old beagle, Pistol, the story's featured character.

The inspiration for Hall's story came after Pistol fell into a mine shaft during a hunting trip last year. According to Hall, he and some of his family members left early one morning on a hunting trip. The group had decided to hunt rabbit near an abandoned strip mine about 10 miles south of Wheelwright.

A short time after the group had started, Hall noticed his dog was missing. When a family member brought a faint bark to Hall's attention, they soon discovered the 3-year-old beagle had dropped through a foot-wide hole in the

ground, a mine break.

What followed began as a family effort, with Hall's cousins pitching in to help. The group spent the day lowering rope and hoping for the best, but by nightfall they were forced to go home, regroup and start again the next day.

The next morning Hall says he stopped to tell his pet's veterinarian about the situation, who afforded them a length of rope and then made some phone calls. That afternoon, a local TV crew arrived at the scene.

By the evening of the second day, Hall was still lowering coffee cans of food down the mine shaft, now beginning to worry his hunting partner was suffering from dehydration and a lack of nutrition,

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not to mention the possibility of having sustained a serious injury during the long fall.

For two more days this trend continued. By the following day, Hall wrote that Pistol's barks had "faded to distant whimpers". That night he made another stop at the vet's office.

Hall said the vet then told him that Pikeville's City Fire and Rescue had what was referred to as a sewer cam — a cable with a camera attached at the end. Later that evening, Pikeville's mayor called Hall's home.

Hall said the mayor of Pikeville phoned him at home later that night and offered not only the city's sewer camera, but also the help of the full rescue squad.

The following morning, Hall said six rescue workers were waiting at the hill leading up to where Pistol still waited in the mine shaft below.

The camera was lowered into the hole and, for 20 minutes, the group waited and watched the screen.

"I stared at the monitor," Hall wrote in his article. "I could see the jagged rock walls and a stretch of flat ground where the break opened up."

Just before the camera search was about into its first half hour, Pistol walked into view on the screen. Immediately Hall said the rescue team went into action, lowering a nylon rope looped at the end into the hole.

The idea was to have Pistol stick his head into the loop and then pull him to safety before he choked, Hall was told.

Hoping Pistol would continue the obedience Hall said he had witnessed from him while in the field, the small beagle finally appeared again and stuck his head through the loop. Rescuers pulled him to safety, quivering and staring into a the local TV crew's cameras.

Guideposts, the magazine that caught wind of the incident, began calling local newspapers approximately six months ago, inquiring about details. They published the story in their December issue.

Guest

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poverty. We haven't begun to solve that one. We need to start figuring out how to do more than simply move families from welfare into the ranks of the working poor.

Because that's basically what welfare reform has done so far. That's not to diminish its achievement, but we should be clear that what we have achieved is just a necessary first step.

By some measures, children and adults in Kentucky families who have left welfare are doing at least as well as those still enrolled in K-TAP. But by no stretch could we call these families upwardly mobile or self-sufficient. They are still heavily dependent on government aid-in the form of Medicaid, food stamps, and child care assistance.

Congress seems inclined to simply do more of what it did in phase one of welfare reform. The House-approved reauthorization plan calls for a higher percentage of welfare clients to fulfill work expectations, and for those who do to work more hours. If Congress clings to that approach, states will have to invest more heavily in minimum-wage, make-work jobs. That will leave fewer dollars for the education, training and child

care that can pave the way out of such dead-end employment. It will also siphon funding from the counseling and treatment that the drug-dependent, abused and mentally ill need to even reach the starting line on the road to self-sufficiency.

I propose that Congress instead throw down a radical new challenge to the states. Instead of prescribing minimum hours of work and work-program participation rates, let our lawmakers tell us we must improve the well-being of families and reduce their reliance on all forms of government aid.

Let them continue to allow states wide latitude in how they spend their welfare block grants, but let them hold us closely accountable for those things that really make a difference, such as reducing child poverty and food insecurity.

Let them require us to prove that, in moving families off the welfare rolls, we are not simply forcing them to trade one inadequate source of income for another equally inadequate source. Let them reward or penalize states based on the number of former welfare clients who get a job at more than the minimum wage, the number who pursue an education while working, and the number of children in welfare families whose school attendance and school performance improve.

If Congress can't bring itself to make this bold departure, I'd urge its members to heed the advice a wise physician gave a junior colleague who was considering what to do next in treating a patient's complex condition.

"Don't just do something," the older doctor said. "Stand there." The current welfare law has worked well for Kentucky families. Supplement it with more resources, especially added funding for child care, and I see no reason it can't continue to serve our families well for years to come.

Standing pat on welfare would be far preferable to telling families that our hopes and expectations for them extend no further than a minimum-wage job. Welfare reform isn't supposed to be about upping the ante in some numbers game. It should be about strengthening families and improving children's lives. Before Congress proceeds further, may its members pause and ponder that.

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Planning for Retirement, an important financial goal

by **THERESA SCOTT**,
FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION
AGENT FOR FAMILY AND
CONSUMER SCIENCES

Planning for retirement is an important financial goal. If you plan to retire in the next couple of years, don't wait too long to prepare because it might take longer than you think to have retirement benefits available when you need them.

Think about what you'd like to do in retirement and make some realistic dollar estimates on how much this will cost. To maintain your current standard of living, some financial experts recommend two-thirds of your pre-retirement income, while others suggest three-fourths. List your retirement income sources and the estimated amount from each. Determine your estimated benefits from Social Security and

work-related retirement or pension plans.

If projected expenses exceed your estimated income, consider increasing contributions to your retirement accounts such as 401(k), 403(b) or 457 plans. This year, the annual contribution limit increased to \$12,000; the catch-up contribution for people age 50 and older rose to \$2,000. Increase retirement contributions if you're below

the current limit. Making changes in spending now will help you have money for retirement. These extra contributions will grow with compounding interest over time.

Always put enough money in your work-related retirement account to qualify for the employer's matching funds. This is like receiving "free" money from your employer.

You might want to talk to an accountant or investment advisor to be sure your retirement funds are working best for you. You may want to discuss whether it's better to have a traditional Individual Retirement Account or a Roth IRA. With a traditional IRA, you have to take the minimum distribution by age 70 and one-half years. The Internal Revenue Service specifies the minimum withdrawal, which is taxable and could put you in a higher income tax bracket. Money put in a Roth IRA grows tax-free. Also, a Roth IRA doesn't have a required age distribution and withdrawals aren't taxable because you've already paid taxes on the contributions.

An investment account is another retirement savings tool. Although the money you gain through stock appreciation is subject to capital gains taxes, selling investments

doesn't increase your income tax bracket.

To reduce taxes, evaluate the pay-out options on a traditional IRA and 401(k). There are three basic choices: transfer savings from your employer plan to an IRA, leave it in the 401(k) plan, or take the cash.

Cash disbursements are taxable. Rolling employer savings into an IRA usually makes the most sense because you won't be taxed on the rollover. An investment advisor or other custodian can help you complete the necessary paperwork.

If you do a cash withdrawal, IRS gives you 60 days to rollover the cash from the employer plan into an IRA; otherwise the IRS will consider it a taxable cash withdrawal.

Although mortality is something none of us likes to think about, be sure you've designated a beneficiary for funds in your IRA because it won't automatically pass to your spouse. If you don't name a beneficiary, the IRA could go to someone you didn't intend. It also will lose the tax-deferred, stretched-out benefit. A spouse who is both executor and beneficiary can roll your IRA into his or her own IRA

and name a new beneficiary.

Be aware that the IRS considers it a cash distribution when you name two or more children as beneficiaries, and they will owe taxes on the entire amount, not solely minimum distributions.

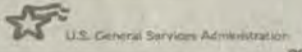
Remember, your retirement funds are your money to use or lose.

Source: Sue Badenhop

For more information, contact Theresa Scott at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service by phone at 886-2668 or by e-mail at tmscott@uky.edu

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Federal-Aid Transportation Enhancement Program applications now available

FRANKFORT - The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is now accepting applications for TEA-21, Transportation Enhancements and Renaissance Kentucky Streetscape project funding. Only state, city, and county government agencies are eligible to apply.

Application forms are available online at <http://www.kytc.state.ky.us/multimodal/index.htm> or by contacting the Division of Multimodal Programs at (502) 564-7686. The deadline for submitting applications is February 16, 2004.

The Transportation Enhancement Programs are made possible by the federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21). The law sets aside ten percent of Kentucky's annual federal Surface Transportation Program funds for projects or activities that add community or environmental value to any planned or completed transportation project. Each project must fall into one of twelve categories such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, control and

removal of outdoor advertising, historic preservation, landscaping, or scenic beautification. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has provided over \$118 million to over 300 enhancement projects through out the state.

Funding also goes to support Renaissance Kentucky Streetscape projects. Governor Paul E. Patton created Renaissance Kentucky to assist communities with downtown revitalization efforts. The initiative is designed to bring together communities and the resources necessary to revitalize and restore Kentucky's downtowns. Landscape planning, design and construction projects that enhance streetscapes in historic downtown commercial districts are included in this program.

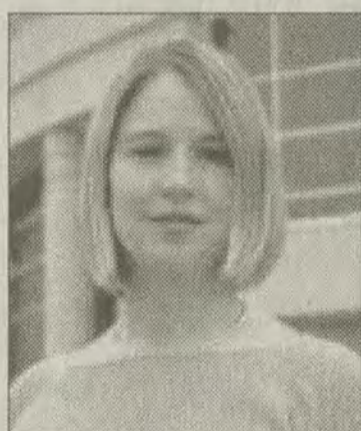
"Transportation Enhancement Funds and the Renaissance Kentucky Program provide us with the opportunity to fund non-traditional projects that improve and enhance the quality of life in the Commonwealth," said James C. Codell III, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Secretary.

Funds for Transportation

Enhancement projects are contingent upon final approval of the Federal Highway Administration and a 20% match of local funds.

For more information concerning the Federal-Aid Transportation Enhancement Program and application guidelines, refer to the web address shown above.

Operation Unite director to speak at December meeting



Karen Engle

by **REGINA BECKNELL**,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
FLOYD COUNTY CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE

Karen Engle, executive director of PRIDE since its inception in 1997, now tackles the task of drug abuse by accepting the executive director position of Operation UNITE (Unlawful Narcotics Investigation & Education); this new program was unveiled by

Congressman Hal Rogers to cope with illegal drug use throughout the region. Operation Unite, like PRIDE, will be headquartered at The Center for Rural Development.

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to welcome Mrs. Engle, who will speak at the December 8 meeting, at 12 p.m., at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers unveiled a new program on November 24. He has said that this program will help police, prosecutors and health professionals deal with illegal drug use in eastern Kentucky. Congress appropriated \$8 mil-

lion to fund the program in February. Rogers said the money would be used to create the Unlawful Narcotics Investigation Treatment & Education program, which will bring together key players in an effort to stop what he described as a drug epidemic sweeping through the region.

"The drug epidemic is the worst scourge we've ever faced in southern and eastern Kentucky," Rogers said. "These drugs have torn families apart, ruined lives, and stretched the resources of law enforcement and social service agencies to the absolute limit." Rogers referred to the program as Operation UNITE, saying it "will equip our law enforcement officials, citizens groups, and health care professionals with the resources necessary to tackle this problem head on. UNITE is going to help this region kick the drug habit." Operation UNITE, which serves 29 counties, will create three regional drug task forces to do undercover investigations and to interdict and confiscate drugs in the Cumberland Valley area, Kentucky River area and Big Sandy area. The task forces will target street level dealers and corrupt health care professionals. U.S. Attorney Gregory Van Tatenhove has assigned six assistant federal prosecutors to assist overworked commonwealth's attorneys with drug cases. (Story by Commonwealth Journal - Somerset, KY)

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You see, the fact is that if you answered "yes" to any of the questions above, experts say it is important, perhaps vital, that you take steps now to protect the financial well-being of your family.

After all, whether the contribution you make to your family

takes the form of a regular income, an extra income or managing a home, experts say you need to be sure that you are adequately protected by a quality life insurance policy.

They say that life insurance is just as important for women as it is for men. Fifty-nine percent of women today have some life insurance, and 64 percent of men have coverage. However, when it comes to women, coverage amounts are still behind those of men. In 1998, the average benefit at death for men was nearly twice that for women: \$143,100 versus \$76,000.

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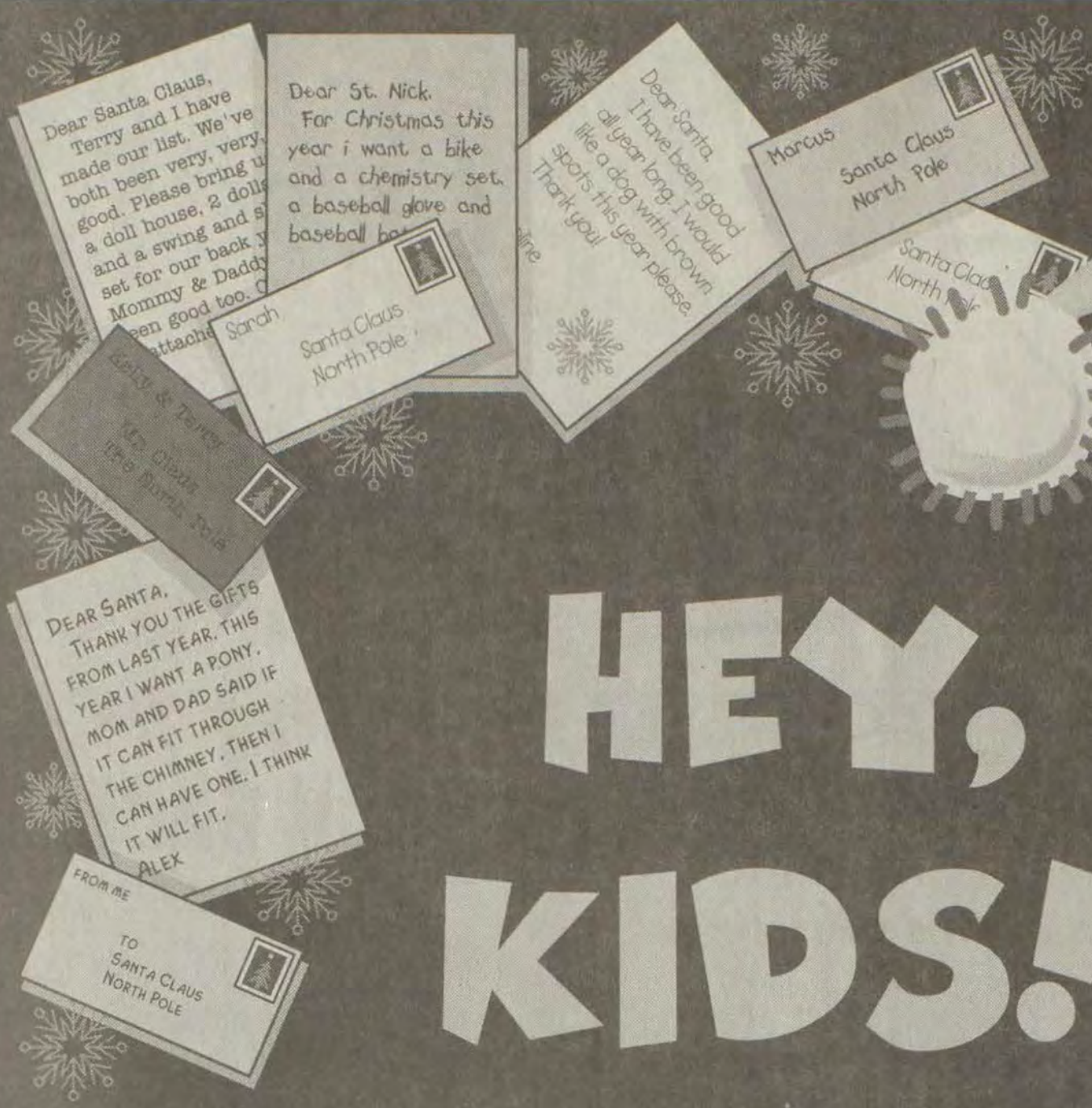
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H.S. BASKETBALL

Lady Rebs among winners in Fast Lane Classic

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BLACKLOG - There was plenty of boys' and girls' basketball last week in Martin County.

Tug Valley raced out to an early 19-2 lead and avoided a late second-half scare to escape with a 55-46 win Friday in the annual Fast Lane Tip-Off Classic at Sheldon Clark High School.

Tug Valley, which had just nine practices under its belt coming into the game, was led in scoring by senior Todd Bolyard's 17 points.

Matt Phillips, who was questionable coming into the game with a high ankle sprain, fol-

(See CLASSIC, page two)

Shootout gives area teams final tune-up

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BELFRY - It was a good day for Kentucky teams Saturday in the Border States Shootout at Belfry High School.

Belfry's Lady Pirates capped off an all-day affair of high school basketball Saturday evening with an impressive 79-36 win over Fleming-Neon at the Belfry gymnasium.

The seventh and final game was the only matchup of Kentucky schools.

"It was a great turnout and very exciting day of basketball," Belfry coach Mark Gannon said following his team's win.

Belfry's defense was the difference in the final outcome as the Lady Pirates smothered the Lady Pirates from the opening

(See BORDER, page two)

Prestonsburg City Wrestling Club

Any student interested in becoming a member of the Prestonsburg City Wrestling Club should be present at a meeting tonight at 7 p.m. at the Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church in Prestonsburg. Interested students ages 11-17 are urged to attend. For more information, contact Don Chaffin or Eric Dingus.



LEFT: Senior Terri Mullins pushed the ball up the floor for the Lady Rebels.

BELOW: Allen Central junior Megan Harris looked over the Magoffin County defense. The Lady Rebels, playing under Mark Martin, in his first year as the team's head coach, rolled in a win over Magoffin County.

photos by Steve LeMaster

Scoring Summary:

- ALLEN CENTRAL (61)**
- Mullins 5
 - Hopkins 3
 - Thomas 27
 - Isaac 12
 - Harris 6
 - Caudill 5
 - Mills 3

- MAGOFFIN CO. (48)**
- S. Howard 7
 - Adams 8
 - M. Howard 4
 - A. Howard 10
 - T. Howard 6
 - Manns 8
 - C. Howard 3
 - K. Howard 2



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd junior Burnett Little looked to go up with a shot against a Morgan County defender.

County schools sweep Raider Panorama

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

HI HAT - Floyd County high school basketball teams made a good showing in the South Floyd Panorama Saturday as the four schools went 4-0.

The first game of the night pitted Prestonsburg against Buckhorn with the Blackcats coming away with a 55-30 win. Joe Blackburn led the Prestonsburg attack with 10 points on the night and Michael Morrison added eight for the winning team.

Prestonsburg led 10-6 after one quarter and 20-17 at the half on its way to the win.

An 18-2 third quarter run gave the Blackcats a 38-19 lead

(See COUNTY SCHOOLS, page two)

"My biggest fear was how we were going to hold up against a team like Magoffin County," said Martin. "I was pleased with the way we came out and played."

AC impressive in first game

27-2 first quarter propels Martin, Lady Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK - The opening game of the Lady Hawk Tip-Off Classic between host Pike Central and Leslie County had a game-winning shot at the buzzer. The second game had a 27-point first-quarter performance.

(See FIRST, page two)



ALLEN CENTRAL

Martin, Hopkins debut for AC

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK - Both a coach and a player debuted for the Allen Central girls' basketball team Monday night at Pike Central's Lady Hawk Tip-Off Classic. New Allen Central High girls' basketball coach Mark Martin coached in his first regular-season game Monday night and guided the Lady Rebels to a 61-48 win over Magoffin County.



Hopkins

Senior Sharee Hopkins, a player who started at South Floyd last season and transferred to Allen Central in the spring, was the first player off the bench for the Lady Rebels Monday night. Hopkins, who according to Martin, has worked very hard in the pre-season, scored three points in off the bench.

Before it's all said and done, Hopkins will most likely carry a huge role in the Allen Central attack.

(See AC, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne head coach Brent Rose conveyed a message to his team during a timeout Saturday in a scrimmage game against Phelps. The scrimmage was part of a panorama held at South Floyd High School's Raider Arena.

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

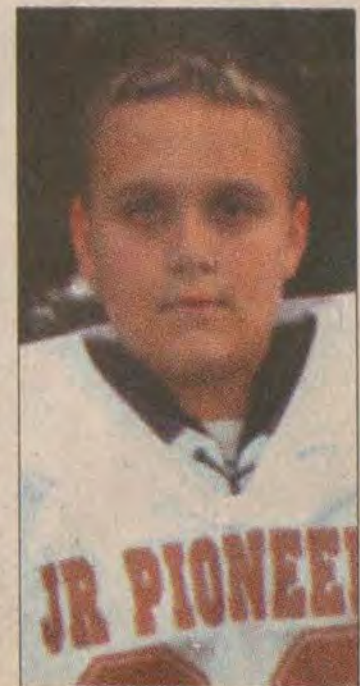
Junior high tournament tips off Saturday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Junior high basketball will take the spotlight Saturday in Pikeville.

The annual Pikeville College junior high basketball tournament began in the late 1980s and was the brainchild

(See SATURDAY, page two)



Josh Yates, 12, of Jonesboro, Tenn., played in the Atlanta Bowl of Champions last week in Atlanta, Ga. Yates, who is the son of Brian and Phyllis Yates, began school at Betsy Layne Elementary. He plays football, basketball and baseball. He is the grandson of Steve and Bethel Yates of Floyd County

Classic

lowed with 12 while Coty Whitt rounded out three Panther players in double figures with 11.

Brant Darrow had 12 points to lead Wellston.

Wellston (46) - Brant Darrow 2(2) 2-2 12; Ryan Miller 2 3-6 7; J.B. King 2 1-2 5; Steven Johnson 1(2)

1-2 9; Jordan lackey 3(1) 0-0 9; Phillip Osborne 1 2-2 4. Totals: 11(5) 9-14 46.

Tug Valley (55) - Coty Whitt 1(3) 0-0 11; Ty Sturgill 1 2-2 4; Matt Phillips 4(1) 1-2 12; Brett Brewer 4 1-3 9; Todd Bolyard 6(1) 2-4 17. Totals: 16(5) 4-9 55.

Pike Central 69, Elliott County 65

Pike County Central landed five players in double figures here Saturday afternoon as the Hawks scrapped out a 69-65 win over Elliott County.

Chase Lyons and Brian Ratliff paced the Hawks' offen-

sive attack with 14 points each. Ratliff was also a perfect 10-of-10 from the free-throw line.

Anthony Gibson followed with 12 points, Brad Lowe had 11 and Adam Prater finished with 10.

Ryan Holbrook fired in a game-high 26 points to lead

Elliott County. David Flatt added 13 and Ronald Weddington chipped in 12.

Pike Central (69) - Adam Prater 1(1) 5-8 10; John Williamson 1 0-0 2; Chase Lyons 6 2-6 14; Brian Ratliff 2 10-10 14; Brandon Charles 0 1-2 1; Brad Lowe 1(3) 0-0 11;

Anthony Gibson 5 2-4 12; Brandon Kennard 0(1) 0-0 3; Kerry Coleman 1 0-0 2. Totals: 17(5) 20-30 69.

Elliott County (65) - David Flatt 5 3-3 13; Tyler Simmons 3 0-0 6; Justin Harper 0 2-2 2; Jacob Isom 2

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Border

tip to the final horn.

"We still have room for improvement," Gannon said.

"We have the chance to be a very good team by the end of the season."

Anna Bevins and Vicki Hall led the way with 15 points each. Natasha Combs followed with 10 while Lyndsey Mahon and Emma Smith chipped in eight each.

Whitney Gooch led the Lady Pirates with 12 points. Barbie Johnson followed with nine.

Belfry hit 31 field goals, including eight three-pointers. The Lady Pirates made good on 9-of-14 free throws.

Fleming-Neon (36) - Whitney Gooch 2(2) 2-2 12; and Barbie Johnson 2(1) 2-2 9. Totals: 10(4) 4-8 36.

Belfry (79) - Anna Bevins 6 3-6 15; Vicki Hall 7 1-2 15; Natasha Combs 0(3) 1-2 10; Lyndsey Mahon 4 0-0 8; and Emma Smith 0(2) 2-2 8. Totals: 23(8) 9-14 79.

Johnson Central 64, Logan Senior 63

Brianna Ritz's basket in the third overtime period provided the margin of victory as Johnson Central rallied to beat Logan Senior, 64-63, in the sixth game of the Border States Shootout at Belfry gymnasium.

Alice Daniel fired in a game-high 28 points to lead the Golden Eagles in scoring. Jamie

Dials tossed in 14 points and Ritz finished with eight.

Charlie Small led the Lady Wildcats with 24 points as Logan landed three players in double figures. Anita Kelly followed with 15 and Shana O'Brien netted 10.

Johnson Central (64) - Alice Daniel 1(6) 8-10 28; Jamie Dials 3(2) 2-3 14; and Brianna Ritz 3 2-3 8. Totals: 12(8) 16-32 64.

Logan Senior (63) - Charlie Small 8(1) 5-7 24; Anita Kelly 2(3) 2-2 15; and Shana O'Brien 5 0-1 10. Totals: 19(5) 10-15 63.

Phelps 63, Duval 29

Phelps built a 21-point, half-time lead and the Lady Hornets cruised to a 63-29 win over Duval in the fifth game of the Border States Shootout at Belfry gymnasium.

Nikki Smith scored 15 points as Phelps landed three players in double-figure scoring. Sasha Fields added 13 and Sherry Plymale hit for 12 points.

Felicia Jarvis tossed in 12 points to lead the Lady Jackets and Megan Gillenwater chipped in nine.

Phelps (63) - Nikki Smith 5 5-7 15; Sasha Fields 5 3-6 13; and Sherry Plymale 4 4-4 12. Totals: 22(1) 16-24 63.

Duval (29) - Felicia Jarvis 4(1) 1-3 12; and Megan Gillenwater 4 1-2 9. Totals: 9(3) 2-7 29.

East Ridge 69, Harts 24

East Ridge run-and-gun its way past out-manned Harts here

Saturday afternoon in the fourth game of the Border States Shootout at Belfry gymnasium, 69-24.

Michelle Webb led the Lady Warriors with 15 points and Jordan Looney chipped in 10 points.

Tessa Cook and Kim Williamson led the Lady Lions with six points each.

East Ridge built a 37-14 half-time advantage.

East Ridge (69) - Michelle Webb 2(2) 5-7 15; and Jordan Looney 5 0-0 10. Totals: 23(4) 11-20 69.

Harts (24) - Tessa Cook 1 4-6 6; and Kim Williamson 2 2-5 6. Totals: 6(1) 9-16 24.

South Floyd 50, Scott 39

South Floyd was the biggest surprise of the day here Saturday afternoon as the Lady Raiders raced past Scott of Madison, 50-39, in the third game of the Border States Shootout at Belfry gymnasium.

Megan Ousley led the way with a game-high 17 points and Brandy Anderson added 15 for South Floyd who led 34-18 at the break.

Maggie Bradshaw led the Lady Skyhawks with 13 points and Sammi Jo Kinder hit for 12.

South Floyd (50) - Megan Ousley 4(2) 3-4 17; and Brandy Anderson 0(5) 0-2 15. Totals: 8(8) 10-20 50.

Scott (39) - Maggie Bradshaw 4 5-6 13; and Sammi Jo Kinder 3(2) 0-0 12. Totals: 11(3) 8-12 39.

Tug Valley 60, Shelby Valley 41

West Virginia Class AA power Tug Valley landed four players in double-figure scoring here Saturday as the Lady Panthers roughed up Shelby Valley, 60-41, in the second game of the Border States Shootout at Belfry gymnasium.

The Lady Panthers were the only West Virginia team to win Saturday.

Keshia Newsome and Tristan Bailey led Tug Valley with 13 points each while "Pooh"

Workman and Krista Land followed with 11 each.

Rachel Thacker led Shelby Valley with eight points.

Shelby Valley (41) - Rachel Thacker 4 0-0 8. Totals: 12(3) 8-14 41.

Tug Valley (60) - Tristan Bailey 2(2) 3-3 13; "Pooh" Workman 4(1) 0-0 11; Krista Land 5 1-2 11; and Keshia Newsome 4(1) 2-2 11. Totals: 20(4) 8-11 60.

Pikeville 67, Tolsia 60
Pikeville landed four players

in double-figure scoring here Saturday morning as the Lady Panthers won the opening game of the Border States Shootout with a hard-fought 67-60 win over West Virginia power Tolsia at Belfry gymnasium.

Shawna Howard led the Lady Panthers with a game-high 22 points. Samantha Howard followed with 16 while Erin Shockey and Lauren McCoy followed with 13 and 10, respectively.

Cassandra Jarrell led the Lady Rebels with 11 points, along with teammate Martha Maynard. Lauren Bonfi chipped in 10.

Pikeville led by 15 at half-time, but had to hold off the Lady Rebels in the closing minutes.

Pikeville (67) - Shawna Howard 3(2) 10-12 22; Samantha Howard 5(1) 3-3 16; Erin Shockey 6 1-2 13; and Lauren McCoy 3 4-5 10. Totals: 19(3) 20-28 67.

Tolsia (60) - Cassandra Jarrell 4 3-3 11; Martha Maynard 3(1) 2-2 11; and Lauren Bonfi 2(1) 3-4 10. Totals: 18(3) 15-18 60. © Copyright 2003 Williamson Daily News

Saturday

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of two men.

This year, one of those returns to the tournament in the role of title sponsor.

Terry Fitzer, owner of Reno's Roadhouse, along with former Pikeville College men's basketball coach Greg White organized the first tournament, then known as the Rax Junior High Invitational. Since, Fitzer has sold his stake in the restaurant best known for its roast beef sandwiches and now owns a chain of steak houses.

"This is a terrific tournament and it's such a thrill to watch the little guys and girls participate," Fitzer said. "We're very excited to be involved in this again and look forward to getting it started."

The Reno's/Pikeville College Junior High Basketball tournament will begin on Saturday at the Pikeville College Gym with eight games taking place, and continue through Saturday, Dec. 13.

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Hopkins started at South Floyd last season as a junior. She played under head coach Melinda Osborne, who also happens to be her mother. Osborne resigned as head coach at South Floyd in the spring.

The new Lady Rebel head coach is pleased with the senior transfer.

"Sharee has worked very hard in the pre-season," said Martin. "She's done everything we've asked of her."

County Schools

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after three quarters and they never looked back.

Jesse Chaffin tossed in seven points for Prestonsburg and the tandem of John Mark Stephens and Sean Leslie each finished with six points. In the second game of the evening it was the Betsy Layne Bobcats taking on the Phelps Hornets and the Bobcats used a suffocating defense to dispose of Phelps by a final of 68-57.

Preston Simon led all scorers with a game-high 18 points and Derek Case finished in double figures for the Bobcats with 16. Betsy Layne raced out to a 23-8 lead after one quarter and the game was never really in doubt. The Bobcat pressure defense and four starters returning from last year's team could make for a big season at Betsy Layne. Brandon Hall tossed in eight points on the night and Akers added six for the Bobcats. Fullcourt pressure defense bothered Phelps and caused the Hornets to turn the ball over 13 times in the first half alone.

Betsy Layne led 45-19 at the half and 57-32 after three quarters of play.

The third game of the evening saw Allen Central face off with Lawrence County in an exciting game that witnessed the Rebs come from behind in the final seconds to pull out a 49-48 win. Rossi Sammons led all scorers with 19 points for Allen Central and Austin Francis added 13 in the win.

It was two free throws from Francis in the final seconds that sealed the win for Allen Central. The Runnin' Rebs led 15-13 after one quarter and 34-27 at the half.

A cold shooting third quarter for Allen Central allowed Lawrence County to climb back into the game, but clutch play down the stretch enabled the Rebs to come away with the win. Tim Griffith came off the Rebel bench to finish with six points Justin Hall also tossed in six. Ryan Hammonds is a new addition to Johnny Martin's team this season and the guard showed flashes of great potential during the game and finished with five points.

The final game of the evening matched Henry Webb's host South Floyd Raiders with one of the 16th Region's best teams in Morgan County. In the end, South Floyd came away with a 66-64 win in overtime after trailing by as many as 14 points late in the third quarter. A balanced scoring attack had four Raiders finishing in double figures with Burnett Little leading the way with 16 points.

Steven Stanley and Adam Tackett both netted 13 points and Jack Slone finished with 10 points for the Raiders. South Floyd led 15-14 after one quarter but fell behind 33-31 at the half. An 18-8 third quarter run helped Morgan County take a 51-39 lead after three quarters but some clutch shooting and strong defense helped the Raiders climb back into the game and force the overtime. Mason Hall came off the South Floyd bench to toss in five points and Ryan Johnson finished with four. South Floyd outscored Morgan County 9-7 in the overtime to come away with the win and finish the Floyd County sweep on Saturday night.

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Kentucky's football season full of what-ifs

by MURRAY EVANS
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LEXINGTON — A near-miss against Florida. A comeback against South Carolina that fell just short. Another disappointment — after seven overtimes — against Arkansas. A tough loss against Tennessee.

Avoid a fourth-quarter interception, run a two-minute drill successfully, knock down a pass or get a break from the officials, and Kentucky's football team

could be preparing for a bowl game. Instead, the Wildcats are done at 4-8 after another season highlighted by close calls and frustration.

"We've had so much adversity, so much stuff thrown at us," senior center Nick Seitze said. "But not once did I ever see somebody lay their head down and just give up or quit. Hopefully that's our legacy. We're just a bunch of scrappy guys that don't give up and keep fighting."

At the start of his first season at Kentucky, coach Rich Brooks said a bowl game was his goal for a group of seniors who had endured two head-coaching changes, two 2-9 seasons and an NCAA probation that kept the Wildcats from going to a bowl game last season, when they finished 7-5.

But from the beginning — a 40-24 loss to in-state rival Louisville — the Wildcats seemed snakebit.

Veteran offensive players,

including senior quarterback Jared Lorenzen, never seemed comfortable in new coordinator Ron Hudson's option-heavy system — a near-180-degree shift from the pass-heavy system favored by former head coach Hal Mumme, who recruited most of those players. The Wildcats never found a consistent, productive tailback to replace Artose Pinner, the 2002 Southeastern Conference offensive player of the year.

Kentucky averaged a respectable 27.3 points per game, but finished next-to-last in the SEC in total offense (327.2 yards per game) and only had one 100-yard individual rushing performance all season.

New defensive coordinator Mike Archer's 3-4 system produced some of the program's best numbers in more than a decade, as only one opponent (Louisville) scored more than 30 points during regulation play. But the Wildcats couldn't produce the big play — offensively or defensively — when it was needed in key games.

Kentucky led then-No. 25 Florida 21-3 entering the fourth quarter, only to lose 24-21 after a costly late interception thrown by Lorenzen, a play he called the worst moment of his career. Backup quarterback Shane Boyd led two fourth-quarter



photo by Steve LeMaster
Pike Central dropped an opening game to Leslie County.

H.S. FOOTBALL

Belfry ousts Lloyd Memorial, moves on to Class 2A Finals

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ERLANGER — A Pike County team is headed back to the State Football Finals. It's a group of Angry Red, to be exact.

Belfry is headed back to the Class 2A State Football Championship Game. Belfry beat Lloyd Memorial 21-13 Friday night in a State Semifinals game to secure a spot in the championship contest.

Junior David Jones rushed 20 times for 107 yards to lead the Pirates to the victory. Jones scored on a two-yard run to open the scoring for Belfry in the opening period.

Doug Howard added 108 yards rushing for the Pirates on 15 carries.

It was a determined bunch of Pirates that took the field Friday night in northern Kentucky.

Belfry led 7-0 at both the end of the first quarter and at half-time, playing shutout football. The Pirates held a 14-7 advantage at the end of three quarters.

Gary Childress scored on a one-yard run for Belfry in the third quarter and Howard rumbled 46 yards for a game-preserving score for the Pirates in the fourth quarter.

Boomer Edwards, who has been accurate all season from his kicker spot, added all three

extra-point kicks for Belfry.

Belfry is in the state title game for the first time since back-to-back runner-up finishes in 1985 and '86.

"I am happy for our kids and I real proud of the way they played," said veteran Belfry head coach Philip Haywood.

Belfry beat Lloyd under snowy conditions.

The Pirates will now meet Elizabethtown for the 2A championship Friday at 3:15 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium in Louisville.

Elizabethtown (12-2) advanced to the Class 2A State Finals by edging top-ranked Owensboro Catholic 28-20. The Aces closed out their season with a 13-1 record.

Tim Lovett led Lloyd Memorial on offense with 67 yards rushing and 52 yards on punt returns.

This season's Class A Finals will pit Danville against Beechwood. In the 3A Finals on Saturday, Boyle County will go for an unprecedented fifth straight championship against Highlands, a team that'll be going for its 16th state title.

Trinity, looking to again repeat, will play St. Xavier in the 4A title game.

H.S. BASKETBALL

Piarist boys fall to Buckhorn

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

In a Three Rivers Conference Tournament game against Buckhorn Monday night, Piarist and first-year head coach Anthony Ward fell, losing 87-28.

Buckhorn built up a quick lead and led 30-3 at the end of one quarter. The Wildcats led 48-13 at halftime. Buckhorn (1-0) held a 68-17 advantage over

the young Piarist team through three quarters of play.

Buckhorn placed three players in double figures scoring.

Josh Ousley led Piarist (0-1) in scoring with 15 points. Bill Howard scored six and Nick deGuzman chipped in five. Skyler McNish rounded out the Knights' scoring with two points.

Piarist has returned to the hardwood following a one-year absence.

a 61-61 tie with host Pike County Central, stepped up and hit a three-point basket to beat the buzzer and the Lady Hawks. Leslie County prevailed over host Pike Central in the first round of the Lady Hawk Tip-Off Classic, winning 64-61.

Senior Heather Benton paced Leslie County with a game-high 23 points.

The Lady Eagles led 17-11 at the end of the first quarter and clung to a 29-26 lead at the half. Pike Central outscored Leslie 19-16 to leave both teams deadlocked at 45 going into the fourth and final frame.

Stidham finished with seven points and Miranda Wilson added two.

Three different Pike County Central players scored in double-figures. Ashley Ratliff and Kayla Brown paced Pike Central with 14 points apiece. Mishay Weddington pushed in 13 points. Paige Lowe had nine markers.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Rodebaugh leads Allen past Stumbo

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Allen Elementary boys' basketball coach Nick Halbert was pleased with the performance he got from his team in its recent meeting with John M. Stumbo.

The Eagles, after leading 21-10 at halftime, held on to beat the Mustangs 38-34. Allen sustained a 15-point scoring effort by Stumbo in the fourth quarter to preserve the victory.

Allen eighth-grader Josh Rodebaugh pumped in 22 points and pulled in 20 rebounds for an impressive double-double to lead

the Eagles to victory. He was the only Allen player to score in double figures. Jason McKinney scored nine points and hauled in 10 rebounds, just missing a double-double outing.

Adam Gearheart, Josh Head, B.J. Spurlock, and Jared May each had two points. Brandon Blair rounded out the Allen scoring with a free throw. Blair also had nine rebounds.

For Stumbo, A. Slone and Hayes scored 10 each for Stumbo. Tackett netted five and T. Slone chipped in four. Osborne had three points.

Allen led after each quarter en route to the Floyd County win.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

MCA beats Betsy Layne for the second time

Sharpshooter Slone nets 26 in Falcon win

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — For the second time in less than three weeks the Mountain Christian Academy Falcons tangled with the Betsy Layne Bobcats and for the second time it was the Falcons who came away with the win.

Falcon eighth-grader Landon Slone led all scorers with a game high 26 points as MCA won by a final of 69-65. Only two weeks earlier the two teams met in the semifinals of the Right Beaver Classic with the Falcons coming away with the win in a tight game.

On Monday, the outcome would once again be decided in a close game. Jeremy Pack burned the nets for 23 points for MCA and Taylor Clark added 18 for the winning team. Jordan Chaffins rounded out the scoring for MCA with two points.

Tyler Hamilton kept Betsy Layne close with 25 points. The duo of Tim and Ted Honaker finished with 13 and 18 points, respectively. All three players recorded double-doubles.

Brennan Case tossed in six points for the Bobcats and Sam Keathley rounded out the scoring with two.

Hamilton and the Honaker brothers all three had over 10 rebounds in recording double-double.

Sheldon Clark 86, Guyan Valley 33

Sheldon Clark took Guyan Valley behind the woodshed and beat the Wildcats to a drum of an 86-33 score Saturday night.

The Cardinals got a spark from sharpshooter Braxton Lafferty, who came off the bench to score a game-high 16 points, including five trifectas. Nathan Moore and Asher Maynard each chipped in 13 and Jason Hammond added 10 to round out four SC players in double-figure scoring.

Wesley Burns scored 13 points to lead Guyan Valley.

Guyan Valley (33) - Jason Butcher 1 0-0 2; Wesley Burns 6 1-1 13; Brandon Donahue 0(1) 0-0 3; Fred Hignite 3 3-5 9; Jake Shelton 2 0-0 4; Chubby Nelson 1 0-2 2. Totals: 13(1) 4-11 33.

Sheldon Clark (86) - Asher Maynard 2(3) 0-0 13; Daniel Cornette 1(1) 0-0 5; Nathan Moore 5(1) 0-0 13; Brandon May 1 0-0 2; Steven Howell 2 2-5 6; Jason Hammond 5 0-0 10; Brandon Fletcher 2 0-0 4; Braxton Lafferty 0(5) 1-2 16; Jaryd Crum 3(1) 0-0 9; Brett Cassidy 2 0-0 4; Jeremy Preece 1 2-4 4. Totals: 24(11) 5-11 86.

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2-2 6; Ron Holbrook 4(4) 6-6 26; Ronald Weddington 2(2) 2-4 12. Totals: 16(6) 15-17 65.

Allen Central 55, Sheldon Clark 42

Sheldon Clark made just 10 of its 30 free-throw attempts Saturday afternoon as Allen Central cruised to a 55-42 victory.

The Lady Cards, who open their regular season tonight in the East Ridge Invitational Tournament, made just 15 field goals.

Senior Amanda Johnson led Sheldon Clark with 15 points.

Megan Harris led two Allen Central players in double figures with 17 points. Becky Thomas added 10.

Allen Central (55) - Toni Mullins 2 2-2 6; Sharee Hopkins 3 1-1 7; Becky Thomas 3 4-7 10; Jessica Isaac 3 1-1 7; Megan Harris 7 3-5 17; Tabitha Caudill 4 0-0 8; Allana Slone 2 0-0 4; Sara Johnson 1 0-0 2. Totals: 25(0) 11-16 55.

Sheldon Clark (42) - Tiffany Meade 0(1) 0-3 3; Brittany Horn 2 0-1 4; Renee Jude 3 1-1 7; Tausha Moore 1 2-2 4; Haley Adkins 0 2-6 2; Amanda Johnson 5(1) 2-3 15; Megan Stanley 2 2-4 6; Jenna Preece 0 1-6 1. Totals: 13(2) 10-30 42.



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Fleming County 62	St. Patrick 36
Fleming-Neon 65	Cordia 45
Highlands 60	Montgomery County 53
Holy Cross (Covington) 69	Mason County 55
Knox Central 43	Pineville 38
Lee County 2	Buckhorn 16
Leslie County 64	Pike County Central 61 (Lady Hawk Tip-Off)
Lynn Camp 39	Harlan 38
Morgan County 50	Elliott County 47
Nicholas County 52	Menifee County 50
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Raceland 57	Lewis County 26
South Laurel 87	Bell County 70

Boys'

Buckhorn 87	Piarist School 30 (Three Rivers Conference Tournament)
North Laurel 81	Perry County Central 73

State Football Finals begin Friday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — The matchups are set for the 45th KHSAA State Football Finals set to take place this Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5-6 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium in Louisville. The State Finals schedule is listed below and is posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/football. You can track the scores of all games at www.khsaa.org/scoreboard.

Friday, Dec. 5
Class A State Championship
Danville (13-1) vs. Beechwood (13-1), 12 p.m.;
Class AA State Championship

Elizabethtown (12-2) vs. Belfry (12-2), 3:15 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 6
Class AAA State Championship
Boyle County (14-0) vs. Highlands (12-2), 12 p.m.
Class AAAA State Championship
St. Xavier (12-2) vs. Trinity (Louisville) (10-4), 3:15 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale through participating schools. Contact one of the competing schools to get a schedule of sale of tickets. Tickets purchased through the competing schools for the pep sections in advance will be priced at \$7

each. At the gate, tickets in those school sections will be \$9 each.

Tickets will also be on sale at the KHSAA office and through ticketmaster.com. The KHSAA is advising fans to purchase tickets in advance or allow extra with the crowds expected. All seating is reserved seating.

Following is a breakdown of pricing per day.

Advance Sales Only Game Day/Gate
Reserved Sections \$11, \$13. (Sections 106-107; 130-131)

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Reserved Other side sections \$7, \$9

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- BluegrassPreps.com Boys' Preseason Basketball Rankings**
1. Mason County
 2. Lexington Catholic
 3. Warren Central
 4. Pleasure Ridge Park
 5. Apollo
 6. Fern Creek
 7. Ballard
 8. Scott County
 9. North Hardin
 10. Covington Catholic
 11. Wayne County
 12. Tates Creek
 13. Hopkinsville
 14. Elizabethtown
 15. Clay County
 16. Butler
 17. Ashland
 18. Male
 19. Madison Central
 20. Iroquois

Kentucky Basketball AP H.S. Prep Polls

LOUISVILLE — The top teams in the Kentucky Associated Press high school basketball polls, with first-place votes, records, total points and previous rankings:

BOYS

Rank-School	FPV	Red	TP	Pvs
1. Mason Co.	(8)	0-0	80	-
2. Lex. Catholic		0-0	67	-
3. Warren Central		0-0	62	-
4. Lou. Pleasure Ridge Park		0-0	55	-
5. Hopkinsville		0-0	40	-
6. Lou. Ballard		0-0	36	-
7. Apollo		0-0	32	-
8. North Hardin		0-0	18	-
9. Scott Co.		0-0	11	-
10. Lou. Fern Creek		0-0	10	-

Others receiving votes: Wayne Co. 8, Lex. Tates Creek 8, Elizabethtown 5, Daviess Co. 2, Clay Co. 2, Shelby Valley 2, Lex. Henry Clay 1, Lou. DeSales 1.

GIRLS

Rank-School	FPV	Red	TP	Pvs
1. Lou. Sacred Heart	(8)	0-0	80	-
2. Christian Co.		0-0	67	-
3. Lex. Catholic		0-0	61	-
4. Newport Central Catholic		0-0	44	-
5. Jackson Co.		0-0	35	-
6. Henderson Co.		0-0	31	-
7. Mercer Co.		0-0	27	-
8. Rockcastle Co.		0-0	24	-
9. Lou. Assumption		0-0	17	-
(tie) Lou. Butler		0-0	17	-

Others receiving votes: Muhlenberg North 15, Washington Co. 6, Elizabethtown 5, Clinton Co. 4, East Carter 3, Perry Co. Central 2, Cawood 1, Barren Co. 1.

Martin Methodist win ends Community Trust Classic

PIKEVILLE — Three starters turned in double-figure performances to hand Pikeville College its first loss of the season Saturday night by a 75-69 final in the finale of the Community Trust Bank Thanksgiving Classic.

The Red Hawks survived a 26-point, five-rebound, five-assist game by Pikeville's senior point guard Kevin Gaines. The Las Vegas product hit 10-of-14 from the field. However, his teammates managed to make only 37.5 percent of their shots to fall to 7-1 at the quarter-pole of the regular season.

Martin Methodist (8-2) jumped out quickly, and when Mike Hill scored on a layin the edge was 10-5 with 16:12 remaining. But the Bears had a pair of 8-2 runs, the first keyed by six from Gaines to take the lead (13-12) and the second ending with a layin by Chris Carroll to take a 26-19 edge with 4:59 to play in the half.

But the Red Hawks came storming back, and a jumper by Chris Garten with two seconds left sent them to the locker room with a 34-33 lead at the half.

The teams were tied five times in the first seven minutes,

including 44-44 before Emmanuel Garrett sank a three with 12:59 left. The Hawks led until the Bears scored six straight, ending with a layin by senior Teon Knox gave the home team a 60-58 lead with 6:50 to play.

But a three-point play by Hill with 5:37 left put the Hawks on top 61-60, and they never trailed again.

Derrick Wright had 18 points and eight rebounds to lead the guests in both categories. Chris Williams added 17 while Hill contributed 14.

Gaines was the only Bear in double figures. Morease Gray came off the bench to toss in nine and Emanuel Tekie tossed in eight.

Neither team shot particularly well, with Pikeville hitting 45.2 percent to Martin Methodist's 42.6. But the Red Hawks more than doubled the Bears from the line, hitting 25-of-33 (75.8 percent) while the Bears were only 8-of-14 (57.1 percent). The difference was 23 to two in the second half.

That, plus 17 Bear turnovers, proved to be the difference.

Pikeville will be off for a week, returning to action on

Friday and Saturday in the Jim Reid Classic in Georgetown. The Bears will play at 6 p.m. each night, taking on Cumberland (Tenn.) University on Friday and Shawnee State (Ohio) University on Saturday.

Spalding 69, Knoxville 65: Freshman Alex Hedges hit four three-pointers, and Eric King turned in a double-double as Spalding University knocked off Knoxville College in the opener of the Community Trust Bank Thanksgiving Classic.

Hedges finished with 18 points while King tossed in 15 and grabbed 11 rebounds to give Spalding its first win in nine tries this season.

Knoxville (2-7) got 17 markers from Shaun Harris, who was 7-of-9 from the floor, and 14 from junior Tony Scruggs, who added six assists. Shaun Brown added nine points and seven rebounds.

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1. Sacred Heart
 2. Christian County
 3. Mercer County
 4. Rockcastle County
 5. Lexington Catholic
 6. Newport Central Catholic
 7. Assumption
 8. Jackson County
 9. Henderson County
 10. Boyd County
 11. East Carter
 12. Butler
 13. Perry County Central
 14. Wayne County
 15. Woodford County
 16. Louisville Holy Cross
 17. Mercy
 18. Scott County
 19. Clinton County
 20. Henry Clay

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touchdown drives to rally the Wildcats against South Carolina, but the offense sputtered on a potential game-winning drive in the final minutes of a 27-21 loss.

And the Wildcats had numerous chances to win in a 71-63, seven-overtime loss to Arkansas — the longest game in NCAA history, at four minutes shy of five hours.

The Wildcats made a big play against seventh-ranked Tennessee in the season finale, only to have it taken away. Leading 7-0, Kentucky line-backer Dustin Williams returned a second-quarter Tennessee fumble to the Volunteers' 2-yard line, but officials ruled the fumble came after the Tennessee player had been stopped. Replays showed otherwise. Tennessee eventually won 20-7 after a late touchdown.

Kentucky turned in only one real clunker — a 28-17 loss at perennial SEC doormat Vanderbilt on Nov. 15 that effectively took the Wildcats out of bowl consideration.

"The good news to me is we're competitive," Brooks said. "The bad news is, we haven't been able to win any of those games."

Among the season's highlights: Derek Abney finished his career with eight kick return touchdowns, tying a three-decade-old Division I-A record. Lorenzen broke many of Tim Couch's school passing records and finished high on the SEC career charts in passing yards (fourth with 10,354), touchdowns (fourth with 78) and completions (second with 862) Boyd became the first player

in school history — and one of only three players this season in NCAA Division I-A — to account for touchdowns passing, running and receiving in a game, doing so in a 35-14 win over Ohio. The next week, Kentucky rallied from a 17-0 deficit for its only SEC win, 42-17 over Mississippi State. The Wildcats lost four straight games to end the season.

Kentucky must fill numerous offensive holes next season despite scholarship reductions, the result of being on probation. Boyd, who would seem to be a good fit for Hudson's system, is the heir-apparent at quarterback, but two top receivers (Abney and Chris Bernard) will be gone, as will three offensive line starters (Seitze, Antonio Hall and Sylvester "Big Kat" Miller) and starting tight end Win Gaffron. There's also the tailback mystery yet to solve.

The Wildcats will return nine starters on defense, and Archer seems confident that unit only will improve.

Brooks said the Wildcats must recruit more players with speed and fill the holes on offense as best they can.

"We're young on defense," Brooks said. "Do we need to still get more speed? Yes, we do. Do we need to recruit more athletes? Yes, we do, and we are. We're in the process of that, and I think we're off to a pretty good start in doing that. We're red-shirting some pretty good football players that were freshmen this last year that didn't play. I think in a lot of ways we'll strengthen, in some areas, this football team."

ALICE LLOYD COLLEGE ALC JV wins three of four

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — The Alice Lloyd College men's junior varsity basketball team has won three of its last four games. The ALC JV squad had an 88-78 win over the King College JV.

ALC was led by center Byron Hall with 25 points. He was followed by forward Travis Hacker with 19 points, Josh Cook with 13 points and Derek Erwin with 11 points. Dustin Jones and Daniel Caudill had six points each, Nick Adams had five and Winston Lee had three points.

This game was followed by a 98-74 win over Southwest Virginia Community College. Hall (22 pts.) and Cook (20 points) led a balanced attack for the Eagles. They were followed by Caudill with 14 points and Jones with 13. Clint Hurd and Lee scored eight points. Erwin (six pts.), Adams (four pts.), and Hacker (three pts.) rounded out the scoring.

The Eagles then traveled to Ohio for a game against the Rio Grande University JV team. They came away with a 75-70 win. Hall led the team in scoring with 22 points, followed by Cook with 19. Jones (15 pts.) and Hacker (14 pts.) were also in double figures. Caudill had nine points, followed by Erwin with seven points and Lee with five.

The Eagles played the Union College JV team just before Thanksgiving at home. After leading 43-41 at halftime, they were outscored 38-25 in the second half in a 79-68 loss. Cook

led the team in scoring with 21 points. Jones (11 pts.) and Erwin (11 pts.) were also in double figures. Hall had nine points, followed by Caudill with eight points, Hacker with five points and Lee with three points.

Eagles fall to Union

The Alice Lloyd College Eagles hosted the Union College Bulldogs last Tuesday at the Grady Nutt Athletic Center in a very good ballgame. The Eagles trailed 39-32 at halftime. They cut the deficit to three points with less than a minute to go in the game, but the Bulldogs hit their free throws down the stretch for an 83-77 win. Sophomore forward Jeremy Daniels (18 pts., seven rebs., three blocks), freshman center Micah Oden (16 pts., five rebs., two blocks) and sophomore guard Jeremy Jackson (10 pts.) were the only Eagles in double figure scoring. Other stats: (Shannon Akers (nine pts., six rebs.); Matt Spencer (five pts., four rebs.); Ryan Shannon (five pts., two assists); Tim Parks (five pts.); Jason Knott (four pts., two rebs.); Chris Hurt (three pts., three assists); and Jeremy Jones (2 pts.).

Alice Lloyd hit 45 percent (30 of 66) from the field while Union hit 52 percent (30 of 58). The Eagles were 11 of 16 (69 percent) from the line while Union was 15 of 22 (68 percent). The Eagles hit only six of 17 (35 percent) while Union hit a very good 42 percent on eight of 19 from behind the arc.



photo by Jamie Howell
Prestonsburg's Nick McGuire (4) went up for a shot Saturday over the Buckhorn defense.

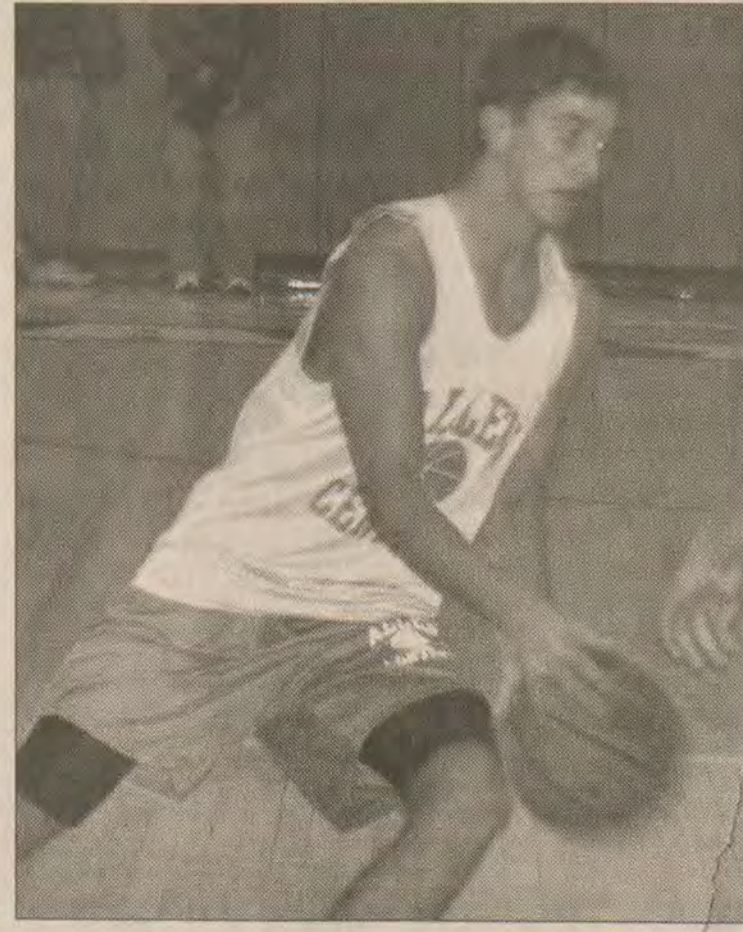


photo by Steve LeMaster
Allen Central senior Austin Francis worked against a Lawrence County defender in a scrimmage game played Saturday at South Floyd.

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POISON OAK

A Fix for Dubya and Teddy?

If things were now, like things were then, the republicans and democrats in Washington would have had to find something else to yell at each other about, because all this recent fuss over changes in Medicare wouldn't have been necessary.

You see, back in those so-called "good ole days," every family was treated under something that today might be known as MHP (Mom's Health Plan).



Clyde Pack

Apparently, nearly every mother in eastern Kentucky looked to her pantry to find cures for everything from hiccups to arthritis, to head lice.

It was a perfect setup, because—from baby to grandpa—every member of the

family was automatically covered, no questions asked.

Except for old standbys like turpentine and Vicks salve, moms made do with whatever they could lay their hands on; consequently, ordinary household items, along with a few things of nature that were readily available, dominated the list of home-made prescriptions.

Just like some precious heirloom, old remedies have been passed from generation to generation, and some of them must have had merit, because those old folks who used them who are still

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KIM'S KORNER

Under God's Protection

After running into a dear friend at the post office this week and finding out her son is in Iraq, my thoughts and prayers have been with both of them since.

Jean and I grew up and attended school together. We lost touch with one another for awhile and then a few years ago Jean, Jordan (her son), Tiffany (our youngest daughter) and I headed for a trip to Myrtle Beach.



Kim Frasure

We had a blast! Jordan and Tiffany brought many a chuckle to Jean and I during that trip.

They also like to have driven us nuts with their preference of tunes during

the drive, as well. Guess we didn't add much pleasure to their ears with our choice of tunes, either.

At any rate, that trip brought two childhood friends back together in their adult years, sharing tales of yesterday with their own children, and I treasure those memories.

When Nicholas Ratliff came home from the War, the news took on a different role for me. Oh, my heart aches, but the fear that was there when Nicholas was over there seems to have faded. I continue to pray for our service men and women daily. As well as the families left behind that have to listen to the broadcasts and watch the goings-on as they take place. But it was different.

Then Jean informed me that Jordan is

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Hereford, second from right, with his band of "cronies," on the set of the movie "Seabiscuit," at Lexington's Keeneland Horse Park.

AND, THEY'RE OFF...!

Here, Peggy, Hereford's wife (left) and his daughter, Laura Goble (center), join him in a little "dress-up" during a lull in filming. The two women did not work as movie extras, they were only visiting the set when this photo was snapped.



by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

David Hereford, life-long Prestonsburg resident, by his own admission, has worked at a variety of vocations, from selling newspapers as a young boy, to working as a bank teller and helping to run his family's retail business. Full of stories, from tales of delivering the Floyd County Times door to door to Prestonsburg homes and businesses, to being an eye-witness to a throat slashing murder

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David, far right, was treated to breakfast and lunch each day during filming, in Keeneland's dining hall.



A montage of mementos from Hereford's stint as a "working" actor.

CRITTER CORNER

In and Out

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Cold weather is approaching fast! I don't have plastic up on the windows, the glass panel for the storm door is missing, and the air conditioner cover is in the same place where I

left it this spring. I did, however, install a dog door.

There is a continual juggling act with our six house dogs. Whitney, the Chow-mix and Desi, the Dalmatian hate each other, but this is no problem in the summer—we let half the dogs out the front and the other

half out the back during the day. They have lots of shelter in both places, and separate water sources—everything works fine.

Winter is another story. Whitney and Mollie, our Collie/something mix can be trusted in the house. Desi

(See CRITTER, page three)



"Lil' Bit." Thomas and Julia Jones, of Langley, write: "This lazy darling is our Lil' Bit. We found her wandering along the side of the highway when she was small enough to fit into one hand. We rescued her, hoping to find her a good home. That has been over a year ago now. I think she knew long before we did that she was already at home. She is shy and loving and a welcome addition to our dog family."

School Calendar

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

School is currently collecting Food City receipts!! Please send them in now through March.

■ The AMS Youth Services Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-9812 for more information on any of the above activities, or to request assistance with a family need. Center is open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to all students regardless of income.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

NOTICE School is now collecting Food City receipts. Students may bring receipts to

homeroom teachers, or parents/community members may drop off at office.

■ ACMS Youth Service Center distributes school activity calendars on the first school day of each month to all students. Parents should be advised to watch for these informative materials as a means to staying informed on school happenings.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's

Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations and WIC appointment.

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

**Each Wednesday, 3:15 p.m., "Fit Club" for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades.

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These services are available to anyone in the community.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

**School is now collecting Food City receipts. Please help our school receive new computers and technological equipment through the "Apples for Students" program. Children may turn receipts in to their teachers.

Community members may also turn receipts in to the school office.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; Kindergarten, Head Start and Well-Child physicals; T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Please call or stop by to see us in our new location. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video

check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Headstart physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

School is currently collecting Food City receipts to assist in purchasing equipment for the school. Please donate your receipts by dropping them off at the school office or sending them with a student.

■ GED classes held in the library on Monday and Wednesday of each week, 8:00

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YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and
60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(Dec. 8, and Dec. 10, 1993)

Floyd County could receive a much-needed economic boost, if state legislators approve a \$100 million bond issue proposed by Governor Brereton Jones, which provides for more than \$12 million to be used for improvements at Jenny Wiley State Park. Jones' plan outlines 71 projects to enhance and improve the Kentucky State Park System...Two Floyd Countians have been named to a task force by Governor Brereton Jones to review Kentucky's participation in the Appalachian Regional Commission. Prestonsburg Mayor Ann Latta, and education advocate Jean Rosenberg, were chosen by Jones to serve on a 35-member committee which will make recommendations on ways to maximize the state's benefits from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and other programs that serve the area...The VA Outpatient Clinic at Auxier will open its doors on Friday, December 10, for public perusal of its expanded services...Supreme Court Judge Janet Stumbo the first woman elected to the Kentucky Supreme Court received her judicial robe Saturday. She was administered the oath of office on November 19...Governor Brereton Jones will host a "Christmas Party," Friday in Floyd County, which aims to deliver some gifts to the state Democratic Party. The fund-raising benefit will run from 7:30 p.m. until 11 p.m., on December 10, at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Park...A Floyd County detective who was arrested November 24, after being clocked at 110 mph, faces twelve charges ranging from speeding to possession of marijuana. According to officer Gerald Clark, the Prestonsburg City Police received two complaints around 1 a.m., reporting a car had bumped another car at the Allen red light and continued traveling toward Prestonsburg at a high rate of speed. Floyd County detective Henry Shepherd was arrested by Prestonsburg City Police officers Gerald Clark, Ricky Conn and Herman Morris, and lodged in the Floyd County jail. His bond was set at \$15,000...Floyd County's newest board of education member, Dolores Smith, was sworn into office Tuesday by Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill. Education Commissioner Thomas Boysen appointed Smith to the District One board seat to replace former board member Eddie Billips, who resigned in October...Wesley Burke, 10-year-old Floyd County boy was in critical condition after being struck by a vehicle, Tuesday morning, while on his way to school. Burke was hit at approximately 7:25 a.m., near his home at Allen when he apparently darted into the path of a vehicle driven by a Prestonsburg High School student...A construction contract was awarded, Wednesday, to a Floyd County company for the development of a "million dollar facility" at the site of a new harness racing project...John Larry Cline, of Lovely, in Martin County, was convict-

ed, Thursday, on six counts of conspiring to operate the Todco No. 1 mine in Auxier, in violation of mine safety standards set forth in the Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977...Christmas festivities will get underway in Prestonsburg today, Friday, December 10. "No" is a tough word that's hard to accept. The Kentucky Opry Junior Pro All-Stars are learning that no isn't as bad as it sounds, and they will present that lesson in a delightful holiday youth musical, "Santa Knows Best," Santa, the elves and the children, learn that no means "we love you"...Floyd County leads eastern Kentucky in reported cases of spouse abuse, and ranks 8th worst out of 120 counties in Kentucky, according to a report released by the Cabinet for Human Resources...It appears that two Floyd County school construction projects will be scaled back, and costs continue to mount on the South Floyd gym project. At Tuesday's special school board meeting, board members appeared closer to agreeing on a plan to reduce the scope of a classroom addition at Betsy Layne Elementary...After waiting for more than 40 minutes for a quorum to be present, Martin City Council took action, Wednesday, to proceed with the city's multi-million dollar sewer project...There died: Lucy Branham Hall, 84, of Melvin, Friday, at her residence; James Ray Shepherd, 52, of Shelby, Ohio, formerly of Gunlock, Friday, in Shelby; Mander Moore, 89, of Langley, Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Verda Hall, 74, of Milan, Michigan, formerly of Galveston, Monday, at the Plymouth Court Health Care Facility; Donna Rita Hunt, 55, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, November 25, at her residence; Henry Edward Stricklin, 62, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at his residence; James A. Davis, 51, of Martin, Thursday, November 25, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Rena B. Vanderpool, 61, of David, Tuesday, at University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington; Elby Lee Morris, 74, of Ivel, Tuesday, November 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bobby Joe Thompson, 26, of Fruitport, Township, Michigan, formerly of Teaberry, Thursday, November 2, in Michigan; Mary Lou Humble James, 44, formerly of Floyd County, at her home in Ypsilanti, Michigan, on December 1; Galvesta Hall Johnson, 82, of Louisville, formerly of Floyd County, Thursday, December 2; William D. Sprinkle, 61, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Drift, Sunday, at the St. Elizabeth Hospital, Dayton, Ohio; Walter Shepherd, 74, of Traverse City, Michigan, Wednesday, December 1, at the Traverse City Community Hospital; Flossie Elizabeth Minns, 84, of Charlestown, Indiana, Thursday, at Clark Memorial Hospital in Jeffersonville, Indiana; Jacqueline K. Hale, 29, of Greenwich, Ohio, Friday, December 3, from gunshot wounds allegedly received from her estranged boyfriend; Clay Shepherd, 89, December 5, at Millers Merry Manor West in Wabash, Indiana; Joseph "Joe" Harvey, 90, of Harold, Monday, November 29, at McDowell Appalachian Regional

Hospital; Alma Ratliff Maynard, 82, of Williamson, West Virginia, formerly of Prestonsburg, December 7, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital; Clifford Hall, 72, of Leburn, Friday, December 3, at his residence.

Twenty Years Ago

(December 14, 1983)

Natural gas users, supplied by Kentucky/West Virginia Gas Company, may see another rate hike, in addition to the November 1, price increase...An attorney for the family of Mary Vinamae Tackett, 19, will press for a coroner's inquest into her death, after she was found hanged in her jail cell...A late-night raid by state police, last Thursday, on a reputed gambling joint at Beaver, resulted in the arrest of three, Dester Hamilton, 54, of Beaver, Earnel Bentley, 56, of Grethel, and Charles Bentley, 32, of Beaver...Construction of new schools—and raising the money to finance it—is now the main item on his agenda, said E. P. "Pete" Grigsby Jr., who was named to his third term as superintendent of Floyd County Schools...Floyd County School Board treasurer, Ray Brackett, said that the way things are going, that the school district will finish with a \$225,000 deficit...There died: Edgar Preston Stephens, 69, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, in Lexington; Sol Prater, 69, of Garrett, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; George Glen Sloan, 22, from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound; Virgil Smith, 74, of Allen, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Minnie Frazier Smith, 77, of Martin, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Estill Boyd, 69, of Prater Creek, at his home; Sadie Johnson, 62, of Weeksbury; November 23, at McDowell Hospital; Walter Scott Collins, 56, of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Thirty Years Ago

(December 19, 1973)

One club here was reopened Monday in a compromise of litigation surrounding its closing, and another here, and two at Martin, may reopen on the same terms...Plans for financing the construction of Phase II of Allen Central High School were completed, last Wednesday, at a joint meeting of the Floyd Fiscal Court and the board of education, and the court voted to advertise the sale of \$1,825,000 in bonds to cover the cost of the project...John Allen has sold the States Motel and other property lying between Lake Drive and Arnold Avenue here to the Burl Spurlock estate, it was learned, last week...Allen Central's first homecoming, held here, last Saturday night, was highlighted by halftime ceremonies, which included the crowning of Miss Cathy Everage as Homecoming Queen by last year's Miss Rebelette, Teresa Osborne Stewart...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Turner, of Salyersville, a

daughter, Margalee, December 9, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Boone Frasure, of East McDowell, a daughter, Dec. 12, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital (MARH); to Mr. and Mrs. David Gilliam, of Wheelwright, a son, Dec. 12 at MARH...There died: Fred R. Mann, 81, former mine superintendent and state mine inspector, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center (HRMC); Wallace Conyous, 78, of Wheelwright, December 14, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Walter Jacobs, 61, of Redfox, last Friday, at the U.K. Medical Center, Lexington; Mrs. Neva Blair Hughes, 75, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at HRMC; Will Bolen, 63, of Garrett, December 4, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Forty Years Ago

(December 19, 1963)

The entire West Prestonsburg community was threatened with destruction by fire, shortly before noon, Monday, when a mechanical gas control failed, resulting in fires and explosions in perhaps a score of homes...A posse of 17 officers descended, Thursday, of last week, on a moonshine manufacturing installation on Blackberry Creek, near Ransom, and captured two large copper stills, 120 gallons of whiskey and 725 gallons of mash. State ABC personnel said it was the largest still, and the most whiskey, found in recent years in eastern Kentucky...Toll collections began, Monday, on the section of the Mountain Parkway from Campton, east to Salyersville...The U.S. 23 Association has adopted a resolution recommending that U.S. 23 in Kentucky be modernized along its entire length, from the Ohio River to the Virginia line...Delbert Gearheart, 38, Hueysville father of four, was killed Saturday morning when crushed beneath a slatefall in a mine at Dema...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Hicks, formerly of Maytown, a son, December 2, in Ohio; to Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shell, of Bays Branch, a son, Steven Douglas, Monday, at home...There died: Barry Wayne Hays, 22, formerly of Stanville, in a car wreck, Monday, at Silver City, New Mexico; Mrs. Lyda N. Preston, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Paintsville; Mrs. Milly (Pink) Williamson, 76, of Auxier, last Thursday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Easter Lee Cox Singleton, formerly of Lackey, November 15, at Louisville.

Fifty Years Ago

(December 17, 1953)

Barring outbreaks of violence, between this date and the end of the year, the Floyd Circuit Court will open its January term without a murder case on its docket...County Clerk DuRan Moore, last week, became the first Floyd Countian to be elected president of the Kentucky County Clerks' Association...Cpl.

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Off

that occurred on the streets of our town when he was just a young boy, making his way home with a fresh strawberry milkshake in hand - "Something I'll never forget," he said, "the red of the milkshake and the red of the blood bubbling out of that man's throat" - Hereford seems to enjoy telling no story better than the one of days spent as a movie extra on the set of the

recently released feature film, "Seabiscuit."

Taking note of an advertisement announcing that extras were needed in the Lexington area for the making of a national feature film, Hereford says that it was his wife, Peggy, who clipped the ad and convinced him that he should check into the situation.

He did, and before long, Hereford found himself rising

hours before dawn to report to the movie set, located at Lexington's Keeneland race track by 4:30 a.m. each morning. "We were filming about this time last year," he said, "in November. It was cold, really cold."

Days ran from pre-dawn to past dark, but Hereford says that the experience of being on a movie set were exciting and the time went by quickly. "They were good to us," he said of the production crew. "They fed us breakfast and lunch each day and everyone was extremely nice and polite."

Initially hired as an extra to mill among the crowd, Hereford was called back for review and given the thumbs-up to be promoted, if you will, to being a "crony" of one of the film's lead characters.

"I actually didn't get very much screen time or anything," he said. "You have to watch pretty closely near the end of the film to catch a glimpse of me, but the whole experience was really exciting. I enjoyed it all very much."

Hereford said that he often saw some of the film's noted celebrities, such as Jeff Bridges and Tobey McGuire, but that "we were directed to stay away from them." "I suppose movie stars like that just get pawed to death, don't you," he queried.

Born in 1933, Hereford was actually a mere five years old when the world renowned "greatest horse race in history"

occurred at Baltimore's Pimlico race track between Seabiscuit and War Admiral, on November 1, 1938. Seabiscuit came away the winner, leaving the War Admiral camp greatly disappointed.

The film, "Seabiscuit," tells the story of how a smallish, mud-colored horse with

crooked forelegs came to win out over highly regarded Triple Crown winner, War Admiral, to become an American legend. It is based on the book, "Seabiscuit, An American Legend," by Laura Hillenbrand. Lexington's Keeneland race track was chosen over Baltimore's Pimlico for filming

because, according to Hereford, the look of the track more closely resembles the look of the 1930's tracks on which Seabiscuit regularly competed.

"It was really something," Hereford said, "an old Floyd County boy on the movie set of a big film. I really had a great time."



Five Generations

This photo, taken on August 31, 2003, at the Howard Family Reunion, represents five generations of the Howard family. Shown are Margaret Risner (great grandmother), of Auxler, Mrs. Alex Howard (great-great grandmother), of Prestonsburg, James Allen Prater (father of baby), of Johnson Co., Hayley Nichole Prater (baby), and Rita Taylor (grandmother), of Johnson Co.

Oak

around, swear by them; furthermore, they apparently kept many of our ancestors alive and kicking.

Since I kind of collect these things, and my readers have been gracious enough to send me dozens of these old remedies over the years, I thought I'd share some of them.

I've received cures for everything from minor burns to dandruff, with remedies emanating from everything from an ordinary dime to potato scrapings. One reader suggested that boils can be prevented by eating lots of molasses, while another stated that a mixture of molasses and baking soda was great to rub on the itch of poison ivy. Yet another reader suggested that pain from a toothache can be eased by boiling bark from the south side of a red oak tree, adding a pinch of salt, and holding it to the

aching molar.

Even the common milkweed, wilted beet leaves and just plain coffee grounds, are believed to have certain healing properties, and can relieve a body of ugly warts, poison oak (the itch, not this column), and ordinary headache.

However, I'm afraid this whole Medicare thing might

become one big headache for all of us, because partisan politics appear to be of epidemic proportions in our nation's capital. I'll bet Mom would have known what to do about all this bickering. From Dubya to Teddy, she'd have prescribed a big dose of castor oil for every politician in Washington.

Wedding Engagement

Conley-Ousley

Mr. Willard Ousley and Ms. Lillian Conley are pleased to announce their upcoming marriage. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, December 6, 2003, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Goble-Roberts Free Will Baptist Church. All family and friends are cordially invited to attend. A reception will follow in the church annex building. No gifts expected.

Yesterdays

Raymond Stevens, of Betsy Layne, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the Korean fighting...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ball Jr., a son, Michael David, November 29, at Ypsilanti, Michigan...There died: Mrs. Susan R. Fleming, 67, of Martin, Saturday, at McDowell; Mrs. Julia C. Burchett, 98, Monday, at Sloan; Mrs. Sarah Reed, 50, formerly of Garrett, December 8, at Sandusky, Ohio; Harvey M. Shannon, 79, at Drift, Sunday; Melvin Compton, 72, of Lancer, Monday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Thora B. Stratton, 46, of Mare Creek, Friday, at a Martin hospital; Joe Grant Hall, 60, of McDowell, last Wednesday, at a Martin hospital; Boyd Poe, 68, Abbott Creek native, Sunday, at Albion, Michigan.

Sixty Years Ago

(December 16, 1943)

Kenis Martin and Bill Mitchell, of Ligon, reported, this week, that they were beaten and robbed of \$260 on the mountain near Ligon, Saturday night...The Daughters of the American Revolution have announced the locating of the graves of 17 Revolutionary War veterans in this county. The latest found is that of Fred Ash at Honaker...Ed Moore, 38, formerly of Allen, was seriously injured, Monday, in Chicago, in a fall from a locomotive...State Commissioner of Agriculture William H. May and his brother-in-law, Nathan Christopher, this week purchased "Glen-Ary," the 260-acre farm, near Frankfort, which formerly was owned by Judge E.C. O'Rear...County Judge E.P. Hill and T. R. Ranier are constructing a tippel for truck mine coal, a

short distance below the West Prestonsburg railway section...There died: Mrs. Nora Allen Hyden, 56, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at Lexington; Betty Lois Patton, 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Patton, of Manton, Tuesday, at a Martin hospital; James Wade Maynard, 66, formerly of Dwale, Sunday, at Dearborn, Michigan.

Seventy Years Ago

(December 15, 1933)

Sale of all county road machinery was authorized, Friday, by the fiscal court. When the magistrates deadlocked on the issue. County Judge W. L. Stumbo cast the tie-breaking vote...Now, from Allen to Lackey, an automobile can be driven where only last winter travel was afoot or on horseback. All this results from gravel-surfacing of the new Ky. 80...Nine Hundred seventy-six men were employed this week on Floyd Civil Works Administrative projects...Claude Flanery, of Martin, has been appointed director of the CWA sanitation drive in the county...The Shields Construction Company, of Hazard, has been awarded the contract to build the bridge, at Lackey, which will connect the Floyd and Knott divisions of the new Allen-Lackey-Hindman highway (Ky. 80). The firm's bid of \$37,866 was lowest offered...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Maggard, December 10, a daughter - Sally Frances...There died: Joe Ad Mayo, 60, of Allen, last Thursday, at a Martin hospital; Mary Flo McGuire, 7, of Johns Creek, last Thursday night, of an accidental revolver shot; Thomas Hale, 19, Tuesday, at Goodloe; Norma Roberts, 15, Monday, on Johns Creek.

Critter

would probably be okay except for her "thing" with Whitney. I hate to think what sort of havoc Punkin, the Cocker-cross and Lacey (a.k.a. "Destructo-Beagle") could wreak indoors unsupervised. On the other hand, I know EXACTLY what Gunner, my separation-anxiety ridden Doberman is capable of.

So, in cold weather, Gunner goes to work with me, and Mollie and Whitney stay indoors. I am left with two choices concerning Desi, Punkin and Lacey. I can either put them in the side yard, where they can shelter under the porch (we purposely set a small duct off the main central heating system to blow into this area), or I can leave them in the "dog room". This used to be part of the carport, so it has a concrete floor, some storage, and an old bathtub that we raised up a couple of feet to make it easier to bathe dogs in. The dogs seem to prefer being in there in cold weather, but when one of them decides its time to potty, self-control is not high on their list of good qualities. It would be nice to provide them with a way to go outside when they need to - thus the idea of the dog door.

So, I ordered one of the contraptions from a pet-supply catalog last week. I had never tried to install anything like this, but Teresa has one and I had never heard her say anything about it being particularly hard to do. Wanda volunteered to help me put it in, and I figured the two of us should be able to handle it. She showed up with a small arsenal of power tools. After

poking around in closets and various shoeboxes, I finally rounded up a hammer, a small plastic carpenter's square, a pencil and a level.

We were just about to embark on our project when Pat showed up early from work and decided to help. I'm not very patient with multiple pages of instructions, especially when you have to search for the ones written in English, but I scanned over them enough to get a general idea. We positioned the template and marked out the dimensions of the opening, and Wanda drilled the pilot holes. It was then that we discovered no one actually wanted to saw the hole. It was our door, Wanda pointed out, and if someone was going to ruin it, it was going to be somebody besides her. I protested that I had never operated a reciprocating saw, so we turned to Pat. It wasn't until after the deed was done that he mentioned the only thing he had ever cut with that particular implement was metal tubing.

We had an opening, all right, but it couldn't be called a square by any stretch of the imagination - it was more of a free-form design. Fortunately, he had managed to stay inside the pencil line most of the time, so it wasn't like it couldn't be fixed. They handed me the jigsaw and put me in charge of actually cutting on the lines. Normally, I'm pretty comfortable with a jigsaw, but sitting on the floor and cutting sideways while wearing bifocals is not so easy. The saw would cut really straight for several inches, then lurch when it

hit a piece of support wood in the hollow core door. Did I mention that the dogs were now jumping back and forth through the new hole in the door? Let's just say that it's a good thing the dog door had a pretty wide flange on the sides, and that I can do a lot of cosmetic work with caulk.

The screw holes on the two sides of the frame didn't want to line up; in addition there were several areas that didn't have enough wood left to drill through. This left a few screws spanning nothing but thin air. We reasoned that there were enough of them with some purchase into the wood to prevent the frame from going anywhere.

Eventually we got the thing in, and it doesn't look half-bad. While cleaning up the debris, I found the piece of paper that read "SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLLOW-CORE DOORS". We were supposed to build a wooden frame for support - too late now.

While Lacey and Punkin had it down in a couple of hours, Desi still hasn't figured out how to use the thing! She can't get the hang of pushing the rubber flap out of the way, so you have to hold it open for her. I'm going to give her a few more days. If worst comes to worst, I'll be forced to watch the Training Your Pet to use the Doggie Door video that came with the thing. I'm a firm believer in "if all else fails, read the instructions".

Korner

in Balad. He's been there for a month now. Jordan is in the Air Force. Jean gave me his email address and the first thing I did after arriving home was to head straight for the computer to email Jordan.

I couldn't help but picture the sweet innocent face I remembered from when Jordan was a freshman in high school and we were on our trip to Myrtle Beach. Now, I was emailing a grown man serving our country in a foreign land surrounded by, oh, Lord, I don't even want to think about what all he's surrounded by.

That evening I tried to watch the news. And couldn't!

It was once again too personal. Please keep our service men and women in your prayers. So many of them are just children to so many of us.

My heart aches for the family from Pikeville who recently lost their loved one to this war.

Keep them in your prayers as well.

'Til Next Week, May God's Protection cover all our troops...

School

a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Parent Support Group Calendar:

- Dec. 8 - Stress management.
 - Feb. 17 - Communication & Children.
 - March 16 - Child Abuse awareness.
 - April 15 - No meeting. All parents invited to attend "Give Yourself a Break Day" at the Mt. Arts Center.
 - May 4 - Nutrition/Obesity.
- Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
 ■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
 ■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

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■ Walking track open to public (except during special event).
 ■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.
 ■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.
 ■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.
 ■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

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■ Resource Center hours are

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■ "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the FRC.
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New Arrivals

HRMC New Arrivals

- Nov. 18, 2003
A son, Tanner Jackson Rilee Justice, to Tammy and Michael Justice
- Nov. 19, 2003
A daughter, Rachel Don Reed, to Deborah and Samuel Reed
- Nov. 19, 2003
A daughter, Angel Lynn Rose LeBlanc, to Estelle and Jeffery LeBlanc
- Nov. 20, 2003
A daughter, Laken Delaney Addington, to Tammy and Remus Addington
- Nov. 20, 2003
A daughter, McKenzie Colleen Slone, to Kenetta Slone
- Nov. 20, 2003
A daughter, Crystal Lynn Allen, to Norma Jean and Michael Ray Allen

- Nov. 21, 2003
A son, Zander Blake Webb, to Jessica and William Webb
- Nov. 21, 2003
A daughter, Kassady Brenda Jo Fannin, to Marlana Jo Fannin
- Nov. 21, 2003
A daughter, Faith Ann Lazar, to Stella Combs
- Nov. 22, 2003
A daughter, Sydney Grace May, to Alison Suzanne and Glenn David May II
- Nov. 24, 2003
A son, Hunter Logan Wilder, to Sandra and David Wilder
- Nov. 24, 2003
A son, James Austin Maines, to Ellene and Earl Maines
- Nov. 24, 2003
A daughter, Tiffany Elaine Rowe, to Wanda Loper

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Job Category: Ag/Cooperative Extension
Department Name: Floyd County Extension Office
Department Number (Internal): 82300
Position Number: 121322
Grade Classification: BW
Salary Range: \$8.00 per hour
Position Type: Regular
Position Time Status: Full-Time
Hours Worked Per Week: 37.5
Required Licenses: Driver's license
Shift: Hours will vary

Job Description: This position is in the Floyd County Extension Office, which is located at 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY. Under the supervision of an Extension Agent, the 4-H Assistant will serve as a member of the Floyd County Extension Staff team. Will become knowledgeable of the philosophy, goals, and objectives, policies and procedures of the Cooperative Extension Service. Will promote and organize new 4-H clubs, recruit members and volunteer leaders. Will provide support and guidance to existing 4-H clubs. Will recruit and work with volunteers in conducting events and activities such as project groups, 4-H achievement events, and public presentation programs. Will serve all clientele, ensuring that all youth and adults have an equal opportunity to participate in extension programs, regardless of race, gender, age, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to application number 836-5376, Renewal

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Rd., Pikeville, KY, 41501, has filed an application for renewal of an underground mining permit, located .25 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 14.99 surface acres, and underlies 588.14 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary is 603.13 acres. The facility is approximately 0.5 mile northeast from KY 1101's junction with KY 122, and located .1 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37-29-18, and the longitude is 82-45-25. The facility is located on the Wayland and McDowell USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Harry and Reba Martin. The permit will underlie land owned by Alma Land

Company, Harry and Reba Martin, Reba Martin, H.D. Martin, Clinnon Martin, Pete Butler, and Robert Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 ft. of a public road, in Stumbo Hollow. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections and/or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 898-5979, Renewal In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for renewal of a permit for an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.90 mile north of Wales, and is situated in both Pike and Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 14.38 surface acres, and will underlie 1,599.45 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1,613.83 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 1.20 mile north-west from County Road 3514's junction with KY 122, and located along Arnold Fork. The proposed operation is located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Coastal

Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by William III and Shirley Hickman, Greg and Velvet Johnson, Randall and Pauletta Johnson, Estill and Stella Johnson, John Jr. and Bonnie Smith, Coastal Coal Company, LLC, Claudius and Helen Tackett, Francis Tackett, Pearl Hylton, Jody and Trula Wright, Arthur and Sally Hall, Gary and Shirley Johnson, Gladys Justice, Hursel Tackett, Pete and Rita Little, Hugh Reynolds and Geraldine Tackett, Jerry and Tammy Hobson, Jerry Hobson, John and Nora Hylton, Marie Mullins, Milton and Dellie Hall, Chrystine Jones, Darling and Nelva Hall, Shirley Hylton, Bennie and Elanor Hall, Maudie Sorenson, Conley and Melinda Johnson, Georgia Taylor, Bluemont Corporation, Hassel and Alberta Johnson, Sterling and Floella Johnson, John and Ethel Collins Estate, Harold and Pamela Gunter, Bessie Newsome, Randall Bentley, Foster and Violet Stone, Gardner Slope, Kevin, Kenneth Jr., and Rosana Ray, Fleetwood Johnson, McKinley and Nellie Akers, Jerry Hall, Ernie Slope, Roy Vernon Hall, Peggy L. Newsome, Walter Hall, Mable Tackett, Darnell Bentley, Shelby Jean Tackett, Joel Newsome, Linda Johnson, Mack and Clara Cantrell, Augustine Bentley, Perry and Polly Younce, Johnny and Shirley Johnson, Michael and Anna Johnson, Dixie Harmon, Steve and Allean Campbell, Burlean and Donna Hall, Conley and Eartha Bartley, Carol Newsome, Ernest and Terra Hall, Terry Newsome, Loretta Stanley, Jenny and Paul Ratliff, Lulu Newsome, Teddy J. Newsome Estate, Bill Hall, Jr., Alvania Hall, Cassie Ward, Fannie Adams, Alma Land Company, Luther and Ethel Curry, Luther and Helen Mullins, Elbert and Sarah Cole, Gordon Tackett, Walter and Janet Hall, Frankie and Paul Tackett, Tammy and Morris Gilliam, Department of Transportation,

Jean and Jerry Mullins, Sonny and Karen Jones, Thelma Jones, Agnes Younce, Brenda Anderson, Brenda and William Anderson, Tony and Tracy Keen, Ruth and Buck Keen, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, and two unknown tracts. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF SALE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II ACTION NO. 01-CI-00900 MOUNTAIN MACHINERY, INC. PLAINTIFF VS. CARBON TECH FUELS, INC. DEFENDANT

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sold for the enforcement of liens in the amount of ONE HUNDRED AND ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$101,550.00) plus interest, costs, attorneys fees, and cost of sale, owed to plaintiff, Mountain Machinery, Inc., by the defendant, Carbon Tech Fuels, Inc. Said coal separator located at the aforementioned site in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Coal Separator #3, Serial Number 281-3. For more information concerning this sale, please contact Ray S. Jones, II, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1378, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, (606) 432-5777.

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sives are proposed to occur, Sunday through Saturday, sunrise to sunset, from December 3, 2003, to December 3, 2004. Control of the blasting area will be maintained by blocking the access roads to the area at least ten (10) minutes prior to the blast. Post detonation access to the blasting area will be allowed only after an inspection has determined that no hazards exist. After personnel are cleared from the area, a pre-detonation warning, consisting of a one minute series of long blasts of a siren will be given. The blast signal will consist of a one minute series of short blasts of a siren, prior to detonation. The all-clear signal will consist of a prolonged blast sounded on a siren, following the inspection of the blast site. These signals will be audible over a minimum distance of one-half mile. All blasting will be scheduled from Sunday through Saturday, from sunrise to sunset. If in the event that unscheduled blasting is unavoidable, then the audible signals described above will be used to notify all persons within one-half mile of the blasting site. The applicant must document the reason and conditions for the unscheduled blast with any required seismograph report. Events which could lead to blasting at times other than those scheduled, include, but are not limited to rain, lightning, or other atmospheric conditions which involve personnel, operational, or public safety.

NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5441 A5

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 18:120E, Section 3, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, (304) 743-8617, proposes the following blasting schedule. The blasting site consists of approximately 106.12 acres, located at Beaver, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proposed amendment area begins at the intersection of KY Route 979's junction with Mitchell Branch Road, and is located within Mitchell Branch of Mud Creek, and also along Mud Creek. The mine site is located at Latitude 37°24'27" and Longitude 82°39'24". Detonations of explo-

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-1258 U.S. BANK, NA (SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRSTAR BANK NA, F/K/A STAR BANK, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TRANS FINANCIAL BANK, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CITIZENS BANK OF PIKEVILLE) PLAINTIFF VS. JEFF L. HALL, GENIA D. HALL, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON RELATION OF SARAH JANE SCHAAF, SECRETARY, REVENUE CABINET, FLOYD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, FLOYD COUNTY LIBRARY, KENTUCKY FORESTRY SERVICE, FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AGRICULTURE CONSERVATION, AND APPALACHIAN REGIONAL HEALTHCARE, INC. DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of February, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$18,587.25, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, located at Wheelwright, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A certain tract of land, lying on Shop Fork of the left fork of Otter Creek, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: TRACT NO. 1 Beginning approximately 3 feet south of southeast corner at a brick store building owned by Robert & Shirley Hall this point being marked with 1/2" gal. pipe, thence southwest 1 ft. west and with a stone storage building said line continued beyond stone building in a southwest direction to a fence line where another 1/2" galvanized pipe marks the south west ending thence a westward direction with said fence line to the original Elkhorn Coal Co. line now known as the Old Inland Steel on Island Creek line thence northeast with said line to beginning so as to enclose approximately 1 acre of line and all buildings within said boundary. This being the same property conveyed to Mortgagors, Jeff L. Hall and Genia

Hall, his wife, by Deed dated September 18, 1981, as recorded per Deed Book 226, Page 515, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. TRACT NO. 2 Beginning at an iron pin or road right of way and in a drain; thence leaving drain with road right of way S 6° 12' W 150 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving road right of way S 75° 45' W 1160 feet to a stake; thence N 6° 12' E 150 feet to a stake thence N 75° 45' E 1160 feet to an iron pin at the beginning, containing 4 acres more or less. This being the same property conveyed to Mortgagors by Deed dated February 15, 1988, Jeff L. Hall and Genia Hall, his wife, from Bill L. Hall and Ruth Hall, his wife, as recorded per Deed Book 317, Page 047 in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

COURT DIVISION NO. II CA NO. 02-CI-00585 FIRST UNION HOME EQUITY BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF VS. LANGLEY TURNER; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LANGLEY TURNER; VIOLET TURNER; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF F. MICHAEL HAYDON, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 13th day of October, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$66,753.21, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 2174 Right Fork of Bull Creek, Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake above road, 1.75 feet below power pole, South 14 degrees 52 minutes West 117.25 feet to a stake; thence South 5 degrees 47 minutes West 141.55 feet to a stake at corner; thence the following 7 courses and distances: North 82 degrees 47 minutes West 233.09 feet to a stake; North 5 degrees 12 minutes East 148.65 feet to a stake; North 9 degrees 41 minutes East 50.31 feet to a stake; North 21 degrees 07 minutes West 40.04 feet to a stake at fence; North 51 degrees 50 minutes East 131.12 feet to a stake; South 58 degrees 41 minutes East 134.48 feet to a stake; thence South 72 degrees 29 minutes East 70.31 feet to a stake above road and 1.75 feet below power pole, the beginning. Revised Survey (additional land) N 82°47' W. 23.22 ft. to a stake at corner; N 41° 20' W. 130.46 ft. to a nail in root of 30" White Oak; N 41° 20' W. 37.26 ft. to a nail in root of 16" Black Oak, N 56° 06' E. 45.76 ft. to a nail in root of 6" twin dogwood; N 47° 00' E. 118.33 ft. to a stake at fence. Being the same property conveyed to Langley Turner and Violet Turner, husband and wife, by Deed dated June 19, 1984, being of record in Deed Book 285, Page 560, and further devised to Langley Turner by Will of Violet Turner, lodged on May 31, 1994, of record in Will Book M, Page 327, in the office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other

than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. David M. Andrews P.O. Box 2220 Lexington, Kentucky 40588 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 03-CI-854 U.S. BANK, NA (SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRSTAR BANK, NA, F/K/A STAR BANK, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TRANS FINANCIAL BANK, NA) PLAINTIFF VS. EDWARD SAZABO AND BARBARA SAZABO DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of October, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$15,712.53, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at Route 850, Brush Creek Road, Hippo, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more

particularly described as follows: Beginning at a culvert on the county road of Hicks Fork of Brush Creek, following the Hicks Fork Creek South approximately 325 Feet to the fence line of the Philadelphia Old Regular Baptist Church property, hence northwest approximately 150 feet following the Philadelphia Old Regular Baptist Church property line to the county road, and following the county road approximately 450 feet to the beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Edward Sazabo and Barbara Sazabo from Robert G. Smith and Charlotte Smith, his wife, by deed bearing date September 26, 1997, and recorded in Deed Book 411, Page 335, in the office of Floyd County Clerk. As additional collateral, there is a 1979 Clayton 24 x 55 Mobile Home, I.D.#3792. To further secure the above referenced debt, a Fixture Filing was duly lodged for record in the office of Floyd County Clerk, on September 29, 1997, Fixture Filing #972720360 054. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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PHASE II ADDITIONS AND RENOVATION JOHN M. STUMBO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS GRETHEL, KENTUCKY

Floyd County Schools will receive sealed bids for construction of the above named project until 2:00 p.m., Local Time, Thursday December 18th, 2003, at Greg Adams' office, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Project consists of the renovation and systems upgrade of a single story of 58,139 square feet K-8 school. The renovation contains primary and intermediate classrooms, computer classroom, administration office and a kitchen suite. A base bid 253 square feet addition includes waiting and vending area, and a 508 square feet custodial receiving room addition, comprises an alternate to the project. Additional alternates include an aluminum sidewalk canopy, and selected minor interior and site improvements. The structure will be a combination steel frame and masonry bearing walls with concrete foundation and spread footings. The roof system, where new is required, will be adhered EPDM over steel deck and trusses. Exterior walls will be face brick and concrete masonry unit backup. Interior partitions will include concrete masonry units and gypsum board on steel studs. Windows will be color anodized extruded aluminum, projected, with insulating glass. Exterior doors will be hollow metal with tempered glazing. Interior doors will be factory-finished solid core wood in hollow metal frames. Finishes include vinyl composition tile, ceramic tile, carpeting, paint over gypsum board and masonry, and suspended acoustic panel ceilings. Specialties include kitchen equipment, toilet compartments, cabinetwork and signage. Site work includes fences, walks, curbs, drives, parking area, storm water lines, site structures, utility work, wastewater treatment plant, seeding and sodding. Heating and cooling will be a water source heat pump system, with heat pumps in ceiling spaces, wall mounted classroom unit ventilators, a/v console units. The system includes hydronic loop piping, circulating pumps, chemical treatment, and fluid coolers. The Existing building is fully sprinkled. Work includes modifications to the existing system, as well as extensions to serve building additions. The power system includes 208 volt, 3 phase fed from existing building. Exterior lighting will be metal halide fixtures. Interior lighting will be primarily fluorescent lamps with incandescent fixtures for accent. Emergency lighting will be self-contained battery self-packs.

Other electrical work includes fire alarm modifications and conduit and boxes for information technology, television and telephone systems. Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the following places:

McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/A.G.C. 2321 Fortune Dr., Suite 112A Lexington, KY

McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/A.G.C. 1812 Taylor Avenue Louisville, KY

Reed Construction Data/A.B.C. 132 Venture Court, Suite 12 Lexington, KY

Builders Exchange 2300 Meadow Drive Louisville, KY

Construction Market Data 1951 Bishop Lane, Suite 202 Louisville, KY

JRA Architects 300 E. Main St., Suite 301 Lexington, KY

Adams Frazer Andersen 715 Westland Drive Lexington, KY

Poage Engineers & Associates 446 East High Street Lexington, KY

Joby Smith and Associates 8111 Lesourdsville Westchester West Chester, OH

Bidding Documents, including Drawing and Specifications, may be purchased for the non-refundable amount of \$180.00 per set, from Lynn Imaging, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507. (859) 255-1021. If documents are to be mailed, an additional non-refundable charge of \$20.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Imaging. The successful bidder is responsible for all additional sets they may require. The Contractor will be responsible for obtaining additional sets of documents as may be required for completion of the work. All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the total bid. A 100% Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the Instructions to Bidders, and/or the General and Supplementary Conditions of the Contract. Bids must be submitted in duplicate originals, on Bid Form included in the Project Manual. Mailed Bids shall be addressed to the Owner's office. Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids, or any bid which is not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids, will be

returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days subsequent to the opening of bids, without consent of the Owner. A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11th, 2003, at 2:00 p.m., Local Time, at Greg Adams' office, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 03-CI-00499 MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOANS, INC., DBA AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER AND COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., DBA AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER CO-PLAINTIFFS VS. LARRY MICHAEL JOHNSON CFC FINANCIAL CORP. U.S. BANKCORP CONSUMER FINANCE OF KENTUCKY, INC., FKA FIRSTAR FINANCE FKA FIDELITY CREDIT CORPORATION UNKNOWN DEFENDANT #1, SPOUSE OF HAROLD BALDRIDGE, JR; UNKNOWN DEFENDANT #2, SPOUSE OF BRENDA LAWSON; UNKNOWN DEFENDANT #3, SPOUSE OF MICHAEL LLOYD BALDRIDGE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADA KATHLEEN JOHNSON BOYD; FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 15th day of October, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$37,474.88, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 11th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 16 Birch Street, Garrett, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A certain tract or parcel of land, located on Right Beaver

Creek, in Floyd County, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Being Lots 52, 53, 54 and the adjoining 1/2 of the west end Lot #51, having a frontage of 87-1/2 feet and a depth of 66 (sixty-six) 60 feet, 63 feet and 66 feet in west end of Garrett Addition to Garrett, Floyd County, Kentucky, which map is on file in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and referred to for a more particular description. Source of Title: Deed of Conveyance from Ada Kathleen Johnson Boyd and Tarry Boyd to Larry Michael Johnson, dated March 19, 2001, of record in Deed Book 457, Page 144, and also deed from Jimmy Dale Lawson et al. to Larry Michael Johnson and Ada Kathleen Johnson, dated January 26, 1996, of record in Deed Book 392, Page 422, Floyd County Clerk's Office. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 03-CI-162 WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A. PLAINTIFF VS. ROBERT L. HOOD COUNTY OF FLOYD CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT UNKNOWN DEFENDANT, OCCUPANT DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$37,285.99, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 11th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate located at 280 Shop Fork Road, Wheelwright, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-01294 LOGAN COPLEY PLAINTIFF VS. JOAVENELLE MCCOY; JOE FRANCIS CRIDER; SIDNEY PRISELAC; EDDIE PRISELAC; PEGGY KING; ROBERT KING; PALMER CRIDER; LINDA CRIDER; BILL CRIDER; ASTOR CRIDER; BRENDA CRIDER; JIMMY CRIDER; JOHN CRIDER; AND LIZ CRIDER DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th of October, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, to determine the divisibility of said property, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the high-

est bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 11th day of December, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following real property, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract 1
A certain tract and parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Johns Creek, containing 5 acres more or less bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning with the flood area in center of Branch joining the Neeley lines; thence running in the center of the branch until you come to the Kentucky Power right of way; thence to the upper side of right of way; thence turn left running with the upper right of way around hill; thence down the hill, still with upper right of way to the center of lower branch; thence down the hill of lower branch to the flood area, to the beginning, adjoined Neeley line.

This being the same property conveyed to Sidney McCoy by deed from Maggie McCoy and Joseph McCoy, her husband, dated the 29th day of October, 1955, and recorded in Deed Book 161, Page 571, of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Tract 2
All the undivided interest, Joe McCoy in and to the real estate of his father, H.W. McCoy, which was owned by H.W. McCoy at his death, and which is located in Floyd County, and for more particular description of said real estate, the records of the County Court Clerk are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

The above described property being the same property conveyed to Joe McCoy by Maggie McCoy, Irene McCoy, Sidney McCoy and Iona McCoy of record in Deed Book 98, Page 87, of the Floyd County Clerk's Office and also see Deed Book _____, Page _____.

Tract 3
A certain tract and parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Johns Creek, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on an apple tree standing on the upper side of the county road, 175 feet more or less, above the present gas line; thence running straight across the bottom towards the hill to a cross are a rock at the back of the bottom; thence continuing the same to the top of the point on the lower side of Short Branch; thence running up center of point to the Arty Fraley line; thence running with the Arty Fraley line to the pre-

sent line of Joe McCoy's children; thence with this line to the creek; thence up Johns Creek with the meanders of the same to a point on the extension of the line down the apple tree to the cross X on the rock; thence up the bank and across the road to the beginning.

Being the same property deeded to Maggie McCoy by deed recorded in Deed Book 141, Page 552, of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Tracts 2 and 3 were acquired by Sidney McCoy Harrison, by Will of Maggie H. McCoy of record at Will Book C, Page 235; Sidney Marie McCoy Harrison died intestate on September 5, 1999, leaving as her only heirs at law: Joavenelle McCoy, Iona Copley, Joe Francis Crider, Bill Crider, Sidney Priselac, Astor Crider, Peggy King, Jimmie Crider, Palmer Crider, John Crider. Iona Copley died testate on December 10, 1999, devising all of her interest in real property to her husband, Logan Copley.

TERMS OF SALE:
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all

Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the master commissioner.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO ALL NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS OF:
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888-874-8041. J.W. Kinzer Drilling Company, P.O. Box 155, Allen, Kentucky 41601, Telephone: (24 Hr) 606-874-8041 or 1-888-874-8041. KLC Enterprises, P.O. Box 2768, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, Telephone: (Day) 606-432-4171, (Night) 606-432-0994 or (24 Hr) 1-888-874-8041.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits, with respect to applications to conduct surface mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

LEVISA FORK MINING COMPANY
836-5409
ISSUED031013

AEP KENTUCKY COAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
877-0163
ISSUED031016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at pub-

lic sale on DECEMBER 19, 2003, at First Guaranty Bank, 36 Main Street, Martin, Kentucky.

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All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

First Guaranty Bank
36 Main Street
P.O. Box 888
Martin, KY 41649

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 858-0165, Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Debord, Kentucky 41214, intends to revise permit number 858-0165, to add an additional operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Mayo

Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 190, Lovely, Kentucky 41231. The new additional operator for this permit will be Beech Fork Processing, Inc., P.O. Box 190, Lovely, Kentucky 41231.

The operation is located 1.89 mile southeast of Davella, in Johnson, Floyd and Martin counties. The operation is approximately 1.89 mile southeast from KY Route 3's junction with County Road #129, and located 1.89 mile southeast of Daniels Creek. The operation is located on the Offutt and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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5% Penalty	02/1-29/04		
21% Penalty	thereafter		

Please be sure to bring or mail your tax bill when making payment. The tax bill is needed to give you faster service. When paying by mail, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish for a receipt. If you have any questions concerning these taxes, you may call my office at 886-8965.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn
Floyd County